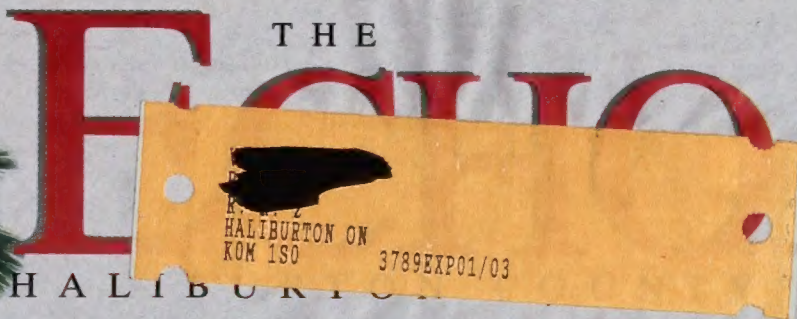


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County budget increases by 15%

MARTHA PERKINS

Editor

When county council started its budget deliberations, it knew it was facing at least a 10% increase because of previous commitments to 9-1-1 and the County Road 121 reconstruction project.

Department heads then submitted budgets that bumped the increase to 20%.

On Wednesday, county council decided to split the difference, voting in favour of a 15% increase for total expenditures of \$14.2-million.

There was no discussion about the budget during the open portion of the meeting. Council had first met earlier in the month to go over the budget proposals line by line, cutting out \$118,000 in spending. Then it had a closed meeting with the Haliburton Highlands Chamber of Commerce to go over its request for \$150,000.

Although many departments did not get their wish lists fulfilled, Warden Eleanor Harrison said the county is still able to move ahead with several important initiatives.

Funding levels are still in place for 9-1-1, which the county hopes to have up and running by June 2003.

The roads budget was increased by \$400,000 to allow several reconstruction projects to progress.

As well, the county has committed \$47,000 to the groundwater survey of the Trent watershed, with the province paying 85% of the total costs. Since an estimated \$400,000 will be spent in Haliburton County alone, Harrison says "we're getting good value."

It also gave \$5,000 to Ducks Unlimited as its share of the costs of mapping all wetlands in the county. Such mapping, which will soon be required by the

See **Wetlands** page 6

Spring in the Highlands



KEN NETH JACKSON/Echo

Was it only on April 17 when Highlanders were basking in the 29.5° temperatures of a heat wave? Just a little bit of that heat would have been welcome on Sunday, when winter returned with a flurry of snow, hail and freezing rain making it difficult for Nancy Watson to walk down Haliburton's main street. For details of what it was like on the roads, see page 3.

Don't blame the kids

*Mother of gay youth
says she reacted in
all the wrong ways*

SHERYL LOUCKS

Staff Reporter

Being gay is not a choice teenagers make to annoy their parents, the mother of a gay son told those gathered for Bridging The Gap, a workshop dealing with how to end homophobia in schools and the community.

Teachers, social workers, students, and parents attended Tuesday's workshop hosted by the Rainbow Youth Coalition for gay, lesbian and bisexual youth and PARN, the Peterborough AIDS Resource Network.

Dianne, who prefers not to use her last name to protect her family, is the representative for the Peterborough and district chapter of PFLAG, Parents and Friends of Lesbians And Gays. Along with a couple of local teenagers, who talked about their experiences, she talked about her own discovery that her child was gay.

"I did just about everything wrong," she admits.

Dianne became a single mother working long shifts as a nurse to support her two children as they were entering their teenage years. Her daughter did well academically while her son, a child who could not wait to get to school, was now skipping school and having enormous problems.

"I had no idea he was gay and being bullied almost everyday," she explained.

See **Gay** page 4

School's water is okay

Students at Stuart Baker Elementary School no longer have to pack a bottle of water in their knapsacks.

The Haliburton school has received word that its water is just fine.

It turned out that a sample taken April 15 was contaminated when the test was taken - it wasn't the water's fault.

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Return of winter gives Highlanders lots to talk about

AS THEY SAY in the Highlands, "Was that enough snow for you?" Brrrr. Just after most people packed away all their winter clothing and car gear during last week's record-breaking heat wave, winter returned with a vengeance on Sunday. "That was a mean, mean storm. It came from Colorado," says Minden weather watcher Phil Graham. "It started with rain, then snow, then ice pellets and then snow again, with some freezing rain mixed in." Altogether there was 24.8 mm or 1.1" of precipitation (he had to melt down the ice pellets, which are hard to measure). Checking his records, he says that in 1999, there was no snow in April. In 2000 there were 12 cm and in 2001, once again there was no snow. Maybe that means we don't have to worry about freak spring snow storms until April 2004.

That's cold comfort to a Highlands East cottager who unexpectedly enjoyed a long weekend at his Highlands retreat. He was stranded at the cottage on

part in a training session and decided to try out a new lake.

Liz Cowen phoned to say that she saw her first wild turkey on Sunday morning. Her neighbour on Hwy 121 east of Haliburton, Nadine Fleury, spotted the large gobbler and called the Cowens, who are local taxidermists with a special interest in wildlife. Liz was impressed by the turkey's size - "it was really big" - and the loudness of its gobble. She reminds everyone, however, that turkey hunting is illegal in Haliburton County.

We've heard of a few more ways to battle those pesky ladybugs. One Haliburton resident's dog had a problem with fleas so she had to apply a liberal helping of flea powder in one of her rooms. Within an hour, dead ladybugs littered the floor. (The fleas were gone too.) Doug Olliffe, the husband of Echo reporter Cathy Olliffe, came home one day last week with a Vapona No Pest Strip and it turns out that one of the pests it kills is ladybugs. Don't forget the advice of Kym Gordon: open your windows and let the bugs fly out (once it gets warm enough to open your windows again, that is.)

here, there & everywhere

news and events worth noting

Monday morning. Without his snow tires, he couldn't get his car out the road and with such soft road conditions, the plows couldn't get out either. Apparently, he was quite good natured about his predicament. Let's hope he had lots of food.

If anyone noticed some OPP divers going for a swim in Head Lake on Monday morning, don't worry - it wasn't because silly snowmobilers thought it was time to bring their sleds out with all that snow. Sgt. Bob Walli ways the OPP's dive team from Orillia was taking



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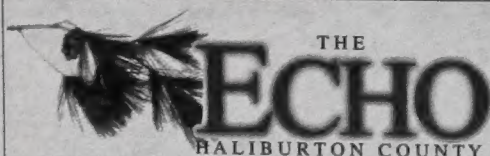
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Chamber of Commerce gets its \$150,000 - sort of

MARTHA PERKINS

Editor

The Haliburton Highlands Chamber of Commerce will get \$150,000 from the county to market the Highlands - with a few strings attached.

At Wednesday's county council meeting, councillors approved this year's budget for the 2002 calendar year.

They will give \$100,000 to the Chamber for the year ending December 31 and then, pending the results of a review of the Chamber's performance, give the Chamber an additional \$50,000 to bring the Chamber up to the end of its fiscal year on March 31, 2003.

"This seems fair and reasonable," says Chamber president Diana Ferguson, adding that the Chamber is "delighted" with the funding approval.

She's confident the county will be satisfied with the new operating plan.

"Our work will be reviewed and evaluated on a regular basis so that council can be assured they receive full value for taxpayers' money."

"They're going to have to prove themselves," Warden Eleanor Harrison said after the meeting. "Are they going in the right direction? We'd like to believe they are."

It's been a troubling year for the Chamber. In the new year it decided not to renew its general manager's contract. Then it announced that it had spent money it didn't have. It closed one of its offices and laid off a staff member. The county's contribution of \$150,000 was seen as vital to the ongoing operation of such services as the new website.

The county funds the Chamber as a fee for service of marketing the Highlands outside of its borders.

Harrison says some councillors are weary of the Chamber's requests for help. "County council has heard the same story for many years," she says. "When the Chamber's down and out, they come to the county for more money."

She, however, has "a great deal of faith in what the new Chamber board is trying to do. "I think they will turn themselves around."

The only person to vote against the budget was Minden Hills Deputy-reeve Jim McMahon. He was against giving the Chamber of Commerce its funding request.

"They haven't proven what they're going to do with \$100,000 of taxpayers' money. There are no specific [safeguards]," he said after the meeting. "Sooner or later you have to end the marriage if things aren't working out. In my 14 years, I haven't seen anything positive from the Chamber."

He says that previous comments about people telling him they won't vote for him if he votes for the Chamber's request had no bearing on his decision. An election is not due until November 2003. "People have short memories and I don't know where I'll be in a year and a half."



LEN PIZZEY/Echo

Dysart firefighters take a Peninsula Drive cottager from the mangled remains of her car on Sunday afternoon on County Road 1. The woman and her husband, who were travelling home, were treated and released after their car skidded out of control and flipped on its roof before landing rightside up.

No serious injuries in spate of accidents

MARTHA PERKINS

Editor

Seatbelts are being credited with keeping injuries to a minimum in the wake of a slew of accidents across the Highlands on Sunday.

Bob English, manager of Haliburton County Emergency Medical Services, says that although there were some major accidents, including a head-on collision in Miner's Bay and a roll-over near Kinmount, there were no major injuries.

"I think it's because people are staying in their seats [because of seatbelts]," he

said Monday morning.

Of all the accidents, he believes only six involved injuries.

The terrible driving conditions were exacerbated by the fact that most sanders had already been taken off the roads and winter maintenance crews were at a skeleton level.

College gets money to attract students to Haliburton

MARTHA PERKINS

Editor

There might not be a bustling night life or extensive student services in Haliburton, but Sir Sandford Fleming College wants to let potential students know there are other attractions to attending college in a small lakeside town.

The Haliburton campus is already a lot further towards its goal now that the county and Haliburton County Development Corporation have each chipped in \$5,000.

The money will be used to market the Haliburton campus to students.

Right now, some courses at the Peterborough campus have many more applicants than spaces available, says Ted Brandon, the Haliburton campus's operations manager. The goal is to move some or part of those programs to Haliburton.

It hasn't yet been determined just what those programs will be.

Marketing a program in Peterborough, a city with many services and an urban lifestyle, is not the same as marketing a campus which sits in amongst a forest on the side of a lake.

"They need to know that although we don't have things like a student centre, there are positives to coming here - lifel-

style, living in a natural environment, the sense of being part of a community," he says.

Brandon is very grateful for the support the college has received from the county and the HCDC. "It shows great commitment towards the college."

County Warden Eleanor Harrison says county council honoured the request as recognition of the important economic and cultural role the college plays in the county.

"It will do nothing but help our economy," she says of the opportunity to enhance programming at the county. "People coming in need a place to live and eat and shop."



KERRY RILEY/Submitted



The cat's meow

We loved these photos and couldn't resist sharing them with our readers... Kerry Riley's cat Phoebe loves to play and she has a willing playmate in Kerry's son Willie. Here, Kerry captured Phoebe mid-air as Phoebe pursues a blue fleck of cloth which Willie dangles in front of her.

Gay students face harassment

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What she did know was that her son, who had been a bright, happy, intellectual child was throwing away his potential without explanation. Fights ensued.

It wasn't until much later she discovered he had been continually harassed.

"One day in his shop class, a boy made a wooden penis and gave it to my son, saying I thought you might like this... The teacher never did anything."

The students at the workshop repeatedly talked about how teachers heard students use words such as "gay" and "fag" in a derogatory way, saw them throw pencils and things at the back of their heads and yet did nothing about it.

For Dianne's son, the worst moment came not at school but in his own house. He had two friends over who had read his diary. Already being tormented at school, his friends claimed he would have to pay them off or they would tell everyone he was gay.

When her marriage broke up, Dianne had given her wedding rings to her children. Her son sold the ring he had, left a brief phone message for Dianne and bought a bus ticket to New York City.

He was not alone in running away. Statistics presented at the workshop from various studies and journals suggest 25 per cent of lesbian, gay and bisexual youth who receive a negative reaction at home are forced to leave or run away.

Studies, such as those for M.S. Schneider's book, *Pride and Prejudice: Working with lesbian, gay and bisexual youth*, suggest 20 to 40 per cent of street youth in North America are gay.

Dianne expressed her immense gratitude that her son ended up in Covenant House, and the people there called her.

"They called me and told me why my son had run away but I still didn't get it. I thought they were lying to extort money," she says.

Dianne says most parents go through several stages when they first discover their child is homosexual, such as denial, as she did, anger, guilt and fear before they accept that the child they love is still the same person they always have been.

Her son came home and attended an alternative school in Peterborough called Stride. During a fight with Dianne, he ran to his room, came back, threw a letter describing his struggles at her and left the house.

"And then I finally got it. I sat there with that letter shaking in my hands. I felt so guilty. I kept thinking What did I do? Should I not have put him in his sister's sleepers as a baby, given him a cabbage patch doll..."

Distraught she struggled with the issue alone until discovering a colleague of 10 years had a homosexual daughter and the two went to PFLAG together. Now she is very active in the chapter, determined to stop homophobia.

"I think part of the reason my son didn't tell me sooner was that he didn't want me to be active in the issue, to be at the school making a big deal of it," says Dianne.

Charles Shames, the moderator for the workshop, says students should be safe in their schools without the onus being on them to "come out."

"It's none of our business what their

sexual orientation is but we still have to stop homophobia," says Shames.

The students who attended the workshop talked about how going to school "was a living hell", how some wanted to "die every day" and others made suicide attempts. Even the one student who says she has had a fairly positive experience in being "out" at school refused to have her name used in the press because of the harassment her family would be put through in the Haliburton community.

"When someone who does not know a homosexual first thinks about gays or lesbians, they first think about sex. How do they do it? But when they meet a person who is gay it takes the freakishness away and they're just a person," says Shames.

The big question of the day was from teachers as to what they should do in a classroom without further drawing attention to an already teased student or to the issue since words like gay have common everyday derogatory usage.

"If someone said to me 'Do you think it's gay to have dogs on my Christmas card?', I'd say that depends. Are the dogs homosexual?" one person commented.

Another says there is a no tolerance policy in her classroom for racist or sexist language and the students are held to it.

The students say they need information in the schools, books, resource materials and someone to talk to.

Shames suggests targeting abuse as it happens in schools, encouraging positive discussions about homosexual issues, and putting symbols such as a Rainbow Coalition sticker at your workstation to indicate you are not homophobic.

Resources available for young gay people

- Rainbow Youth Coalition for Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and 2-spirited youth between the ages of 14 and 25. The local chapter is at 705 749-9110 or 1-800-361-2895 or visit their website at www.parn.kawartha.com/ryc.html

- The Peterborough AIDS Resource Network 749-9100 or 1-800-361-2895. They offer more services than just those for sexually transmitted disease issues.

- Parents, Families and Friends of Lesbians and Gays (PFLAG) Peterborough and area chapter call Dianne at 705 749-9723 or e-mail her at pflagpeterborough@yahoo.com. The national site is www.pflag.ca.

- Family Services of Haliburton 705 457-5345

- Fleming Association of Queer Students 705 749-5537

- Trent Queer Collective 705 748-1011

- Kawartha-Haliburton Children's Aid Society 705 743-9751

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Hospitals struggle to cope with shortage of x-ray technicians

MARTHA PERKINS
Editor

The county's healthcare facilities are in desperate need of x-ray technologists. Recently, Haliburton Highlands Health Services reached a critical stage when one of its technologists was not able to work because she was ill. She's now back to work, but the worry is not over. "The immediate crisis is under control but we're right on the edge all the time," outgoing CEO Foster Loucks said at Thursday's board meeting.

HHHS has decided to advertise for another full-time technician even though it technically doesn't have the money in the bank and needs only a part-time technician. "We will make the money available but technically it's simply incurring a worse financial position than we have," Loucks said, referring to next year's projected deficit of \$500,000. "We simply don't have much choice..." "We'll have to make some changes or in the very near future we won't be able to staff the x-ray departments in both

facilities all the time." Across the province there is a shortage of x-ray technicians. The HHHS has one full-time technician and three part-time technicians (with one of them about to become full-time). Between them they have to either staff or be on call at both emergency departments 24 hours a day. Because there are fewer doctors in Minden, there are fewer x-rays booked at the Minden site. Therefore, there isn't enough volume to warrant hiring another full-time technician, but Loucks thinks the HHHS

would have a hard time convincing someone to move to the Highlands unless a full-time position is offered. HHHS will consider booking some x-rays from Haliburton doctors at the Minden site to keep the services in balance. Dr. Bob Heyes of Haliburton recently met with one of the Lindsay-area doctors who provides 24-hour coverage in Minden. He said they both agreed that while the shortage may sometimes lead to not being able to have a technician available at both sites all the time, both sites

will stay open. "If we do have a crisis," Dr. Heyes said, "we will somehow agree to share resources and work with the resources we have...We would still be able to provide good emergency care in both sites without x-rays." It's better to offer limited services than close an emergency department to patients who would not require x-rays, Dr. Heyes said. "The alternative of closing one site is even more devastating [than not being able to offer x-rays.] We can't sacrifice the other types of care people require."

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Wetland mapping, watershed study are valuable planning tools

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province, "is going to be very important in all of our Official Plans."

The mapping is also an important tool for protecting wetlands. "We don't want to lose all of our wetlands to economic development. It's important we know where they are so we can protect them."

"It will be an important tool for us."

The Haliburton Highlands Outdoors Association received \$5,000 to help with the operating costs of its fish hatchery in Haliburton.

"If we don't have fish in our lakes we can't entice people to come here to fish," Harrison says.

Larry Hewitt says the donation is warmly appreciated. With any such large volunteer organization, an administrator is needed to help co-ordinate the efforts. The money will support the fish hatchery's manager's positions.

Sir Sandford Fleming College received \$5,000 to market the Haliburton campus to perspective students. The campus hopes to increase its range of full-time programs.

And the Haliburton Highlands Trails and Tours Network received \$10,000 to help with its initiatives.

Some of the increases also came through negotiated wage increases with staff, notably full-time ambulance paramedics who received a 22% increase to bring them up to par with neighbouring services.

Before county council started debating the budget, Harrison encouraged them not to slash spending as a way of keeping the increase to the 10% it was already committed to through the debenture of the expense of 9-1-1 and 121 improvements.

"The county has often tried for zero percent increases but I don't know how you can progress that way," she says. If costs are trimmed for too long, then there's the risk of needing a large increase to catch up. "The cost of doing business goes up so it doesn't make sense to stay at zero. But I don't like 20 to 30% increases either. I prefer gradual increases."

She said that with the budget behind them, councillors will now be able to move on to other important issues such as waste management.

Mental health task force vows to fill in the cracks of services

SHERYL LOUCKS

Staff Reporter

Words buzzed around the meeting room at Hyland Crest on Thursday as the chair of the mental health implementation task force assured approximately 40 people that nine other task forces across the province were working together like a colony of bees to better services.

Some questioned whether the hive was ever going to get built and at what cost.

Jean Achmatowicz-MacLeod, chair, says she is confident that within the next five years plans for consumer centered services will be in place.

What that means is fewer people should fall through the cracks. Those with dual diagnoses, whether within the mental health area, physical or an acquired brain injury, will receive better co-ordinated care.

She explained services have become fragmented over the last decade, with different agencies and providers working with different philosophies, some more effective than others. This is why "best practices" have become a buzz phrase for the model they want to implement.

June Partridge is a local member of the central east task force covering Haliburton, Peterborough, Kawartha, Northumberland, Durham and York counties. She says their work is creating more public education - always a good thing.

Partridge and her husband Ross Partridge are encouraged by the political will behind this latest effort.

"When we got a letter from [former Health Minister Elizabeth] Witmer asking us to get involved with this we thought wow. And then we got a letter from [current

salaries and homes for special care or supportive housing.

It is the second lowest funded region in the province for mental health program services tied to hospitals at \$40.3 million with no mental health beds in the Highlands.

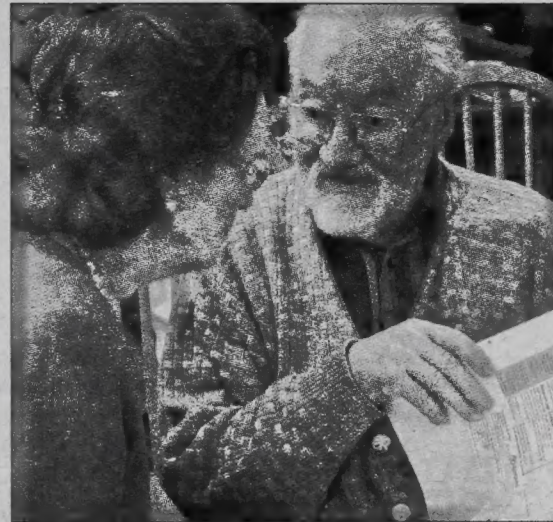
Marie-Anik Gagne, task force co-ordinator, says in Haliburton low individual incomes, coupled with an aging population at high risk creates a different problem than in the rest of the region. There is a need for 570 more housing units, 40 more case managers, and a change in the funding formula to reflect higher rural costs of delivering services, says Gagne.

Achmatowicz-MacLeod says current work is being built on the foundation of research that began in 1983 and culminated in the Making It Happen report in 1999 out of which new money for housing and services was recently distributed.

She says she is encouraged by the political will behind the task forces and after years of working for improvements in the system says she has never seen the lay table that are now at the table before.

"We have a commitment from this government to implement some of the task force recommendations quickly in 2003. There is reason to be hopeful," she said.

Details about what those recommendations will be and associated cost should be available in June. Anyone interested in more information or participating in focus groups this May should call 905 954-4694.



Jean Achmatowicz-MacLeod, chair of the Central East (Whitby) Mental Health implementation Task Force talks to Bob Morrow about what changes are in the works.

Health Minister Tony] Clement! You know when successive ministers follow a project it's important," says Ross Partridge.

With only one psychiatrist visiting the Highlands once a month, there is need, says June, for more services.

The Highlands with the central east region is the lowest per capita funded region in Ontario with \$14.6 million in mental health expenditures such as community mental health programs, outpatient medical

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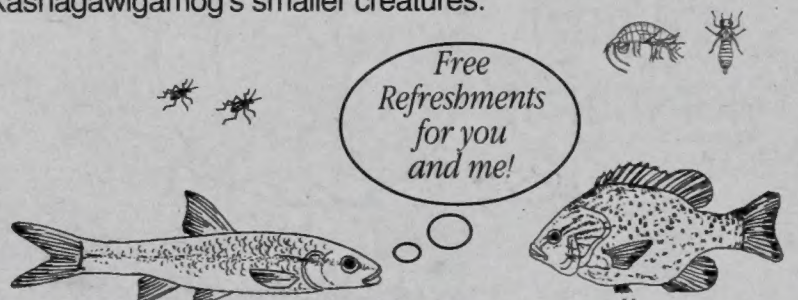
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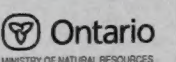
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Highlands East won't take care of county roads in winter any more

MARTHA PERKINS

Editor

Highlands East will no longer be plowing the county roads within its boundaries.

"It's too much work," Reeve Keith Tallman said at Wednesday's county council meeting. "We're getting a lot of overtime doing work for the county."

"County Road 4 (Essexville Line) is a nightmare anyway because of a couple of big hills. It got to the point we can't handle it."

County roads operations manager Doug Ray says the county would need to hire an extra person to do the work in that area. The county already has a truck available.

He's negotiating with Highlands East's roads superintendent about the municipality retaining responsibility of Dyno Road, which is a bit out of the

way for the county. Highlands East already maintains a road in a subdivision in the area.

Dysart et al Reeve Murray Fearrey asked if the work could be tendered out. Ray said he'd come up with a report on the various options.

Meanwhile, Minden Hills Ross Rigney repeated his belief that the county should be looking into a protocol for transferring road responsibility between the county and municipalities.

County engineering manager Roy Haig said that by fall, he'll have a report on how and when such transfers could be done.

121 to Kinmount

The county is not happy with the patching work that was done on County Road 121 between Minden and Kinmount. The contractor has been asked to fix the uneven surfaces.

Work on 121 begins

Andy Paul and Rob Camelon of the county roads department take measurements of elevations along County Road 121 in preparation for the reconstruction project between the Ingoldsby turn off and the Allsaw bridge. Cruickshank Construction will repair and resurface the road bed. The work is scheduled to be completed by the end of June. Until then, expect delays along the road.

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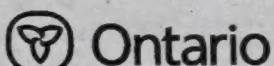
At this time of year, spring grass and wood debris can dry out in half a day and will readily ignite from open flames and glowing embers will spread rapidly in open areas.

The Ministry requests that you adhere to local by-laws and provincial burning regulations when burning grass, brush and woody debris. Consider postponing burning until appreciable amounts of rainfall are received.

The Ministry of Natural Resources appreciates the public's cooperation in being cautious with open burning at this time of year.

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Tax time

Several years ago, in the days before amalgamation, the group that earned the most wrath of local property taxpayers was the Haliburton County Board of Education. Every year, its budget increased, often in the double digits (and once all the way to 19%), and since education made up a huge chunk of the property tax bill – approximately 60% – the board's budget decisions were acutely felt. What made the situation worse was that two-thirds of the people paying the taxes, cottagers, couldn't even take advantage of what they were paying for.

In those days, municipal politicians were the good guys. They kept their budgets in check, aware of "the little guy" and how hard any budget increases would be on many people in the Highlands.

Today, the board's spending is dictated by the province. It can't simply impose tax increases to cover its expenses. And as the newly amalgamated Trillium Lakelands District School Board, there isn't the same sense of "ownership" among local taxpayers. People don't feel that what they have to say will have much bearing on the board's decisions.

So now the spotlight falls on the municipal politicians and if things continue the way they are, those politicians will be squirming a little under the glare.

County councillors led the way last week with a 15% budget increase. It could have been 20% but it had to be at least 10% in order to pay the debenture on the 9-1-1 project and construction on County Road 121 between Minden and Haliburton. No doubt people will pick holes at county councillors' arguments about how the money should be spent. There are those who think the county should be plowing roads and that's it. They'll be resentful of such things as the county's \$5,000 grant to Sir Sandford Fleming College to market enhanced programming at the Haliburton campus. Others expect council to play a leadership role, and have been disappointed in the past when things were left to others. The 15% is truly an attempt to strike a balance.

Pity the poor municipal councils who are currently working on their budgets. They know already that taxes will go up because of the county, and most likely the board of education. As the politicians closest to the people, they'll catch the most flak about tax increases.

It is a huge dilemma in the Highlands. On one hand, there's our tax base which is a bit like our land itself – broad in size but shallow in depth. We have many taxpayers with shallow pockets. Cottagers are already under the financial strain of carrying two places and locals are still too dependent on the weather to have a measurable sense of financial security.

Yet what sort of future will this county have if its politicians don't invest in our infrastructure, both physical and cultural? There is already far too much evidence of what happens when cities and towns don't keep up with their basic needs – they fall so far behind that it becomes almost impossible to bring roads and services back up to the proper level. Economically, cottaging and the lumber industry may be the two mainstays, but we need to diversify and increase the range of employment opportunities, especially for young people. Our school populations are already declining because young families must move closer to urban areas to make a living and we can't afford to have the trend continue.

And although there never is a good time to raise taxes, it's best to do it in strong economic times. If we invest when the economy is more robust, we have a solid foundation on which to rest during the down turns.

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editorial

— martha perkins



Open water returns

photo by Len Pizze/Echo

The birth of trout season

I'm told that the only reason that a woman would bear a second child comes from the fact that she's forgotten the pain and suffering she endured the last time out. This also sums up my theory as to why anglers return to the trout stream each opening day. If you ask me, the only notable difference is that, after mere hours of mind-numbing anguish, the expectant mother usually comes away with a lively eight-pounder and a photo. Believe me, most trout fishermen would kill for that privilege.

That's because, despite what you've heard, the primary goal of every trout chaser is not to catch a large fish while other anglers look on; it's avoiding anglers who have.

In the old days, this was quite easy. When two anglers met on stream they simply circled each other like stray dogs and quickly got olfactory evidence suggesting how the other fellow had fared.

Though both were intent on telling stories, if one angler smelled fishier, the other would run off with his tale held low. If not he'd be forced to politely listen to unsolicited expert advice. Several of these encounters could really cut into the time you spent avoiding other successful anglers.

Of course, creel sniffing was not foolproof. Unscrupulous fishermen would often roll in long dead things just to simulate a full creel. Other, less ethical types, might even stoop to extreme measures such as actually catching fish.

I was reminded of all this last Saturday when fishing on a well-known brook trout river. Normally, it's a place of serene beauty, fast, clear water, and tall majestic pines. The dead moose in my favourite pool gave it a subtle ambiance that not only complemented my cologne but also gave the place a rugged northern character not generally seen in your finer postcards. At first I thought the stench emanated from my buddy, but just as I looked at him with newfound respect, that bloated, hairless beast got pulled

downstream by the swift current, leaving only the moose and me to sort things out.

Having the selective memory of a husband sobering up from an office party, I quickly realized that I had forgotten the realities of trout fishing; impossible backlashes, impaled ears, leaky waders, tree tangles, and dangerous tumbles through jagged rapids and frigid

whirlpools. Of course, there was the bad stuff too but I didn't dwell on it.

With this optimism, I approached each new pool convinced that the shell-shocked trout in it had just passed up on the five hundred previous offerings of real bait because it was waiting for the one particular artificial fly that I had chosen based on planetary alignment and advice from my Ouija board. Yet, after only a few hours of rejection, I was almost ready to doubt these time-honoured truths and rely on tea leaves.

Just then another angler approached and asked if he could try. After quickly circling him, I stepped aside unthreatened and watched because there are few things more satisfying than observing another angler utilize more sophisticated tactics, skills and equipment in order to fail just as miserably.

Before long a small crowd assembled and yet another angler gave it a shot. By this time, a play-by-play and the kind of hushed whispering only found in Olympic curling finals were happening. Most guys were cheering for the wet, cold-blooded creature that clung in the current in front of the big rock. Personally, I was rooting for the fish. And I'd bet that angler was secretly praying that it didn't hit either.

Strange, but there's a special feeling you get sitting amongst fishless anglers on a riverbank where the smell of being skunked and wildflowers mix together in the sweet spring air. Then again, who knows? It might have just been the moose.

the not so great



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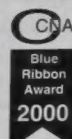
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Acquiring valuables

THE SMALL CAR MADE ITS BUMPY way along the narrow cottage road, rutted and sagging in the spring thaw. The three adult passengers craned their necks as they climbed steadily toward a clump of birch trees, stark against the grey sky. April was feeling like November this year. The fourth passenger, a six month-old baby, cooed contentedly in his car seat without a care in the world.

Sam and Ellen had arranged to meet the people at this out-of-the-way cottage to look at old cottage furnishings that might be of use to them in their new home. Sam and Ellen were scrounging all they could to furnish their hastily acquired and soon to be occupied house. During years of travel, they had disengaged themselves from material things. But now, settling down in one place with a baby, they had to build a nest for their small family.

The Smiths, the couple they had arranged to meet, were in a quite different situation. Empty nesters with a passion for lakeside living and the pocketbook to make their dreams a reality, they had just purchased an old cottage on a breathtaking waterfront. Their plan was to demolish the ugly old building and construct a post and beam beauty. The cabin had come furnished and so, after seeing the Smiths'

ad in the newspaper, Sam and Ellen had phoned and arranged to see and possibly buy, items for their new digs.

But there was no sign of anyone when they arrived. A forlorn cottage, mostly plywood painted pumpkin orange, stood on a rise surrounded by pine trees. A tumble-down wood pile partially blocked the path leading to the door.

With a door slamming bang of disappointment, Ellen and Sam got out of their car. Ellen's mother stayed in the car with the baby to keep out of the wind. Obviously the Smiths had not yet arrived from the city. Linda, always thinking, suggested they see if they could look in the cottage windows.

They returned to tell the grandmother that they had seen a dresser, some chairs and other possibilities, though it was hard to be certain without a better look. At that moment, they all turned their heads in the direction of a car's motor. The Smiths had arrived.

After much apologizing and explaining about mixed up directions, everyone headed toward the pumpkin cottage with granny and the baby holding back for a few minutes until there was less of a crowd at the door. Grandma had little desire to give up the still-warm car's interior in order to stand about in a cottage that had not seen heat for months, if not years. She wondered what there could be of any worth in such a ramshackle structure.

However, her curiosity finally got the better of her and so, baby hiked on a hip, she joined the others. Walking into the low-ceilinged cottage, she saw Mr. Smith about to light kindling in an ancient wood stove. Mrs. Smith had placed several lit candles about, perhaps to mask the interior's damp smell. Sam, Ellen and Linda were discussing prices with Mrs. Smith, an array of furnishings before them.

Mrs. Smith looked up when grandma entered the room, stopping in mid-sentence. "Oh," she said with a wide smile, "you have one of those." She was referring to the grandson, whose alert eyes were taking in the scene with a look of wonder. Walking over to the child, she gazed at his face longingly. "Isn't he beautiful. I wonder if I'll ever have one of those," she continued, reaching out a finger for the baby to grasp, which he immediately did. Mrs. Smith's smile broadened even further.

Ellen and Sam were anxious to come to an agreement. While hardly immune to their baby's charms, they could enjoy them every day. Right now, they had other things on their mind. With a slight sigh, Mrs. Smith turned back to the business at hand while grandma and baby walked about the place to keep moving. Upon closer inspection, it became obvious this had been not just a cottage but someone's home for a time. Although now dated and a little shabby inside, it must have been fairly comfortable in its day. There were a few antique pieces and many practical items a young couple could use to set up house.

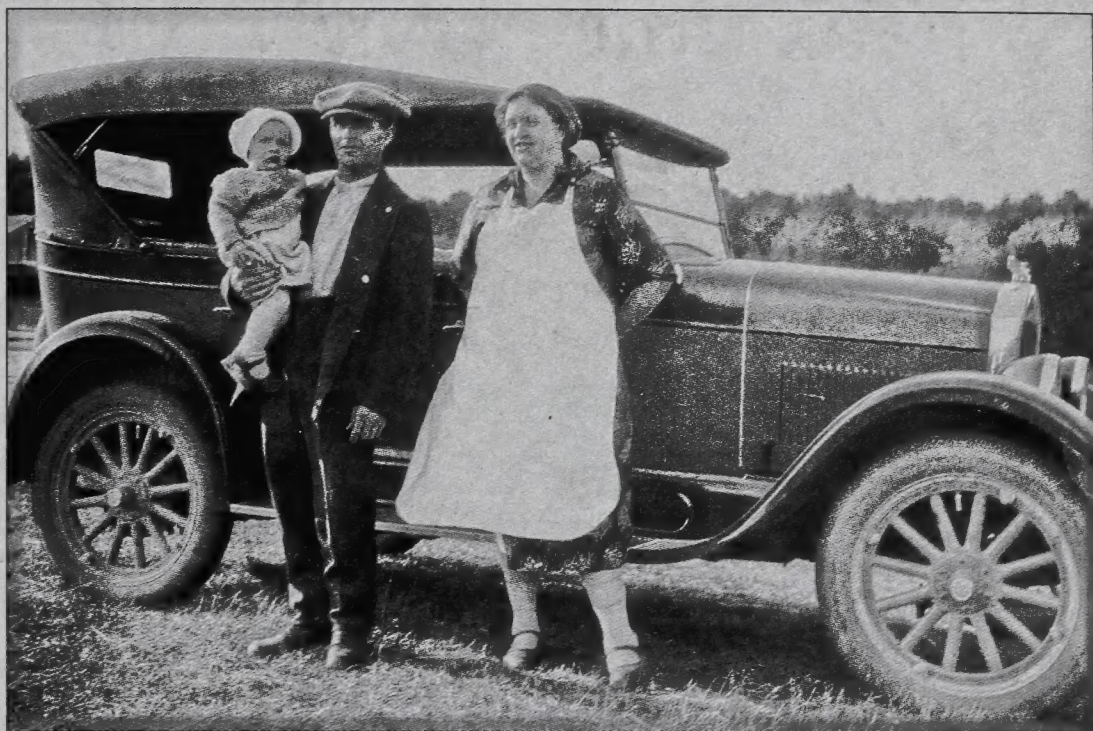
Mr. Smith had now joined the small group of bargainers over by the kitchen counter. This seemed to indicate they were close to a deal. When grandma saw smiles appear on Sam and Ellen's faces, she knew it was done. She and the baby stayed out of the way while the furniture began moving out the door and into Linda's trailer. Mr. Smith helped with the larger pieces while Mrs. Smith chatted with grandma about their plans to build an impressive-sounding edifice. The old cottage was to be removed the very next week and the new foundation started immediately. At one point Mr. Smith stopped to give the baby's hand a gentle shake. "I'd kill for one of these," he said with a grin. Mrs. Smith explained that they had one child and kept hoping for a grandchild, but so far, no luck.

When all was loaded, the trailer carefully inched its heavy way back over the rutted road, Ellen, Sam, grandma and baby following in their car. The Smiths waved goodbye as though to weekend guests taking their leave. The pine and birch trees gradually receded in the distance. While Ellen and Sam talked excitedly about their finds, grandma thought about the different ways to measure value. To the young family, cottage remnants were useful furnishings. And for the Smiths, a baby grandchild of their own would be more precious than any architectural fantasy. At that point, the baby let out a wail, announcing it was time to eat.



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Pic of the Past

This week's Pic of the Past was taken in 1927. It shows Syd and Vetina Thomas with their daughter Jean. The Thomases operated Lakeside Inn from their farm and house near Lake Kashagawigamog. The photo is from the collection of long-time Kashagawigamog cottager and photographer, the late Norman P. Smith. It is one of a number of photos loaned to us by Mr. Smith's daughter Lorraine, which we will be using in this space over the next few weeks.

letters to the editor

There's no place for bigotry

To the Editor:

What do we want our community and schools to be? Hopefully, people will want them to be a safe place to live, to learn, to work and grow. A place where youngsters will want to stay and raise their own families, or live their lives however, and to feel safe, content, and accepted as a part of the community.

Until yesterday, I thought that was the kind of community we had; not perfect by any means, but I didn't realize the degree of prejudice and bigotry that exists here, particularly in our schools, and if it's in our schools, it's in our homes. No one is born a bigot. We learn from others how to become one, and the sad part of that is we learn before we are old enough to realize what we are learning.

What brought this issue to light was a workshop entitled "Bridging the Gap". At this workshop, a young man told his story of how he was ostracized by his peers in school because he was different, different only in the sense of his sexual orientation; he is gay. Being gay was not a choice for him, it's just the way he is. Those who created a life of hell for this young man may not have realized how much pain they caused, (to the point of a suicide attempt), but I would think by the time someone enters high school, they should be mature enough to have a sense of what is right and what is wrong. While they may have learned at a young age to be bigoted, unlike the gay person, they have the choice of changing.

It's hard to believe this kind of negative behav-

iour can exist at the same school that produces so many positive things, such as theatre (Northern Lights Performing Arts-Pavilion), numerous sports activities, an outdoor leadership course, environmental studies, and many other varied courses. That suggests the minority create the negative influences; however, the fact that it led to a suicide attempt makes it a serious threat to some students' rights and lives.

While this problem was presented as a gay issue, it goes far beyond being a gay issue, it's a human rights issue. Each and everyone of us has rights as a human being, and those rights are not conditional. It doesn't matter what color you are, it doesn't matter what your religion is, it doesn't matter what your nationality is, and it doesn't matter what your sexual orientation is. What matters is what you are as a human being. We need to respect our rights.

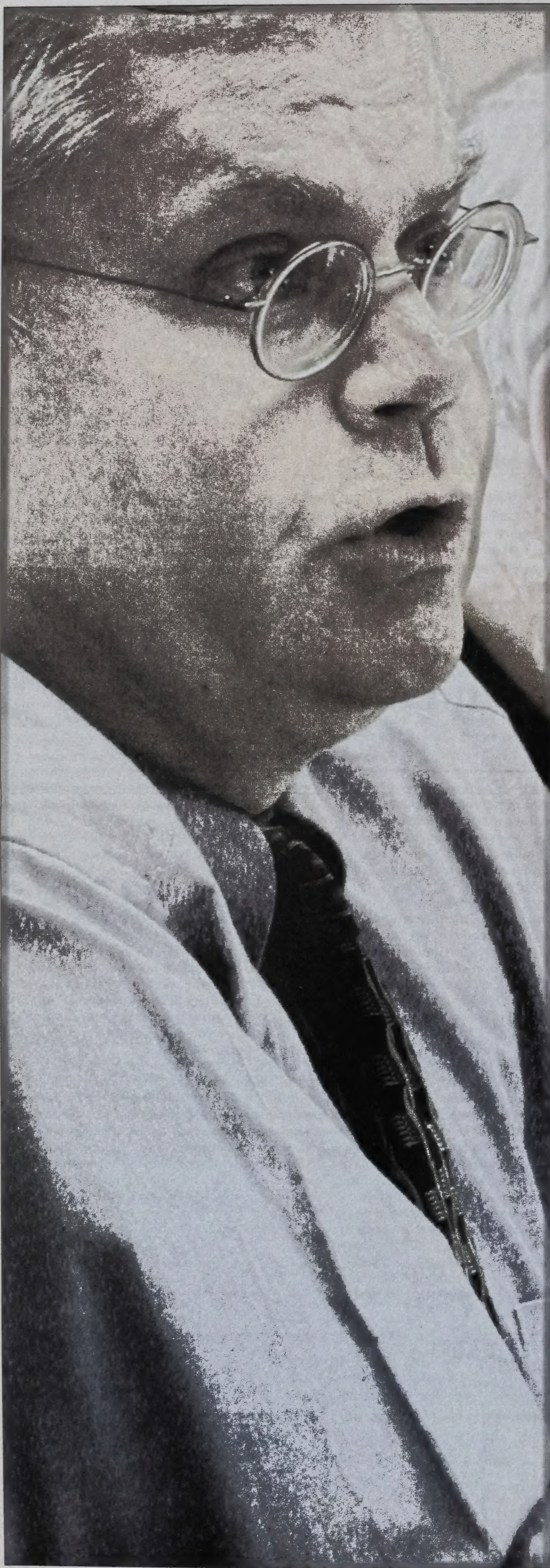
Our schools and our community belong not just to the majority, but to everyone, and anything less than zero tolerance of bigotry is not acceptable. We need to do more to ensure our schools and community are comfortable and safe places for everyone. No one should have to live in fear because of someone else's ignorance. Our community should be a place where people want to be, not a place they can't wait to get away from.

Frank Thom,
Haliburton

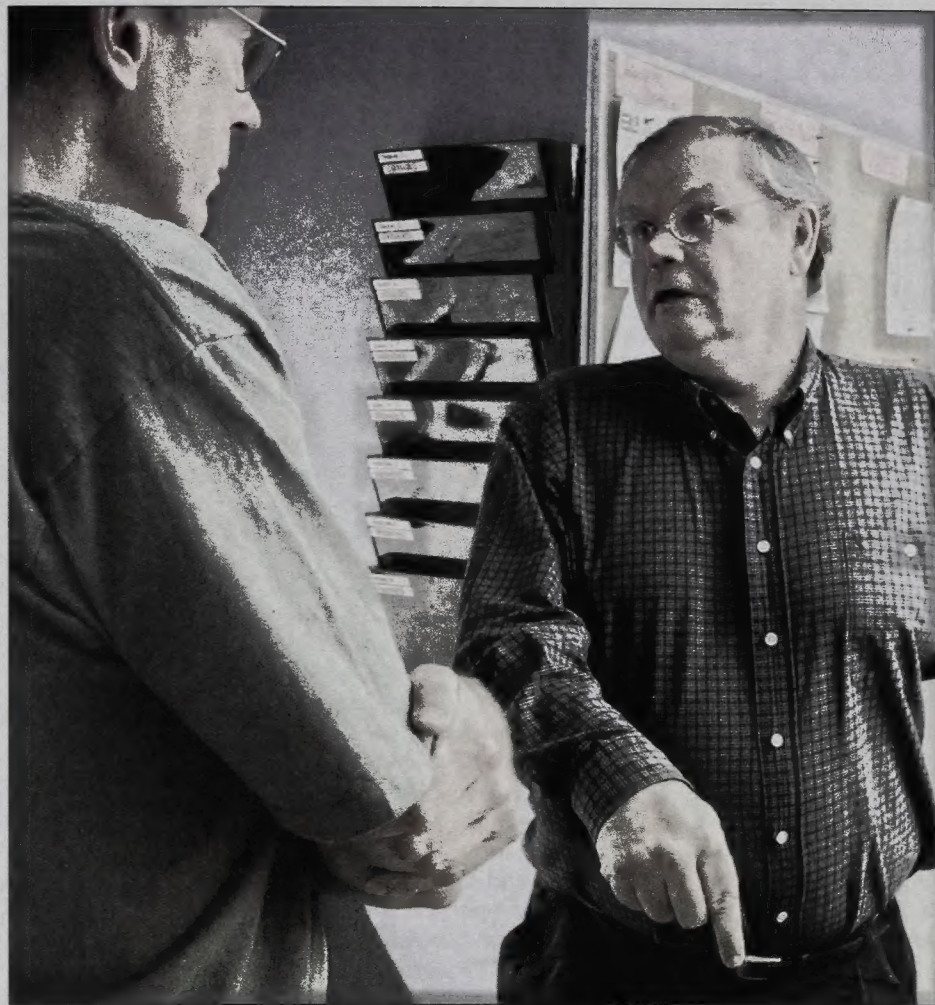
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Boonieville by Charlie Teljeur





Foster Loucks got a standing ovation at the end of his final board meeting as CEO of Haliburton Highlands Health Services. He was photographed at that meeting by Martha Perkins.



Bob Heyes, HHHS Chief of Staff, talks with retiring CEO Foster Loucks.

Foster's last day

MARTHA PERKINS

Editor

When Foster Loucks arrived in the Highlands in May of 1995 to become the first CEO of Haliburton Highlands Health Services, he was asked what he felt about the weight of responsibility which was about to fall on his shoulders.

After all, the county had just gone through a divisive debate on where our hospital services should be located. The Ministry of Health was closing the Minden Hospital and all acute care beds were going to Haliburton. Minden would get a new emergency department at an enhanced Hyland Crest facility and an enhanced Haliburton Hospital would get 30 new long-term care beds. The costs, which were evenly split between the two communities, would require a local commitment of \$5.5-million — money the HHHS didn't have.

How did it feel, he was asked, to be the white knight riding into the county to heal old wounds and unite the population behind a single cause?

He laughed. And now, seven years later, he's about to dismount his horse.

Although he never agreed with the analogy of the white knight, Loucks can wear the mantle with pride. Under his leadership, the HHHS has built a solid foundation, not only with new health-care facilities, but with a broadened range of services.

The buildings have been built and there's less than a million dollars left to

raise. Any rifts between Minden and Haliburton have been greatly smoothed over because both communities are fairly content with what they have. (Minden's community health centre has yet to get provincial funding and there's a need for more acute care beds in Haliburton.) HHHS has taken over the management of the mental health centre, which now offers counselling as well as a supervised housing program. Supportive housing helps seniors in Minden, Haliburton and Wilberforce get the help they need to live at home. The diabetes education network, which has recently joined forces with the health unit, helps people cope with the sometimes debilitating disease and works to prevent an increase in the number of patients.

Of course, Loucks will say that while much has been accomplished, he certainly did not do it on his own. As well as crediting "a great staff", he also pays tribute to the board chairmen through the years as well as the efforts of the HHHS Foundation in raising the money.

"I'm very proud of what we've been able to do," he says. "Yes, I've had a key role but no one person does it all."

He sees the past seven years as the first phase of the HHHS's life. Now, with the foundation in place, the HHHS must move forward and tackle some equally pressing problems. Several things in his own life transpired to make him question whether he should be the one to lead the next charge, however.

Almost two years ago, his twin sister

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died. More recently, his brother Leon passed away.

"Some of these things make you wonder how you want to spend your time," he said in an interview during his last week at work. On Monday, Keith Sansford arrived to be the new CEO of HHHS and while Loucks will spend a few weeks helping him become familiar with the organization, the worry and responsibility won't be his.

As he sometimes says with a lightheartedness grounded in sombre reality, "The next inquest will be on someone else's shoulders."

By that he means it will no longer be his job to worry of what can happen in an organization where mistakes can be a matter of life and death.

As well, Loucks says it's time he once again became a patient.

He was born on a farm near Ingoldsby at a time when health services in the county were very rudimentary. The Haliburton Hospital offered little help with his hemophilia and the Minden Hospital was yet to be built.

The lack of early treatment helped contribute to life-long complications. Because simple movements could cause internal bleeding, blood built up in his joints, causing severe pain (and severe arthritis in the future, necessitating the constant use of a cane). When the problems became acute, he'd be taken to a hospital far from home. It meant he spent a lot of time in bed. His twin sister would bring home his work from school and it helped that his mother was a teacher.

"There are advantages and disadvantages of having a disability," he says. "In a way it's been an opportunity for me. At a young age I became a patient and, because of my particular kind of illness, I learned how to be diplomatic, or I learned how to

'Next inquest will be on someone else's shoulders'

use words because I couldn't defend myself in physical ways. It allowed me to develop other attributes...

"It also sensitizes you [to what it's like to be a patient.] We think of hospitals in a positive way, but they're also a place of pain and suffering and sometimes death. I sometimes ask that, if I had not had the experiences [of being a patient], what would I have been."

It seems inevitable, however, that he'd end up with a career in healthcare. He went on to get a Bachelor of Arts in History and Political Science from York University; a Master's Degree in History from McMaster University; and a second Master's Degree in Hospital Administration from the University of Toronto. Before arriving in the Highlands in 1995, he was the CEO of Thunder Bay's psychiatric hospital.

However, now he'd like to have surgery on his knees and feet and instead of wondering whether he could take an extended leave of absence to recuperate, the surgery became another reason to contemplate retirement.

The next phase of the HHHS's history won't be an easy one. While Loucks doesn't regret the decision to have two

emergency departments and a 30-bed long-term care unit (the recommended size for efficiency is 62 beds), he says they do lead to stresses on the system.

"We've made the right decisions but there has to be a recognition of the ongoing difficulties [they create]," he says. "There will always be a funding challenge ...

"Keith will have to balance making changes that have to be made against the inevitable and fairly forceful reaction against it. He'll have to stay the course. In some respects, I've been cautious and wanted to nurse us along to the point where we had our buildings built and the communities working together.

"To some extent I hope the community understands we have to be efficient in what we do and changes will have to be made."

Loucks says the challenges of running such a diverse organization which is so susceptible to outside influences are "unrelenting." Minutes after the interview, he met with Dr. Bob Heyes to talk about the critical shortages of X-ray technicians, which is limiting the ability to offer emergency services at both Minden and Haliburton sites.

"It just never lets up," he says. "The part of the job I'm not going to miss is the unrelenting need to try to further the operating side of HHHS. What I enjoy more is the policy issues that need to be thought through – the overall direction of the organization and how we fit into a regional context."

He refers to that regional context later in the interview when asked what he would say to Roy Romanov, who's leading the commission on the future of Canada's healthcare system.

After a long pause – Loucks has always been a delight to interview because he's such a thoughtful, contemplative person – he says "I'm inclined to think about the system of care in rural Canada and how do you deliver that.

"It strikes me we have to find ways to reduce the turf [war] that exists throughout the system and that's often expressed through professional groups."

One option would be a greater use of nurse practitioners, who would relieve the stress on doctors, who are in short supply, and hospital emergency departments, which are short of operating dollars. To make this happen, the community also has to embrace the concept.

At a hospital level, "How do you develop systems that allow for the services to be used in such a way that we're not competing with each other? Healthcare is a field that's fraught with turf issues, so we have to reduce that wasted energy."

Asked if his last week at the helm was a bittersweet time – happy to be retiring but sad to be saying goodbye to a challenging and rewarding job – Loucks says "there will be certain things I'll miss, quite a bit, but bittersweet? No. I wouldn't describe it as that. It's my choice to retire and I made up my mind about a year ago to do this."

He smiles. "I'm going to have the best summer I've had in 25 years."

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What has the Chamber done for us?

East councillors say Bancroft Chamber has done more for them than Haliburton

KERRY RILEY

Special to The Echo

The following is a brief synopsis of discussions held during the April 9, 2002 Highlands East Council meeting.

Following up on a request from the Algonquin Gateway Tourism and Business Association (AGTBA) that Highlands East investigate whether the group could be insured under the municipal insurance umbrella, CAO Sharon Stoughton-Craig advised that someone from council would have to sit on the AGTBA's board, for this to be possible.

M o n m o u t h Councillor Gary Stoughton indicated that he would be willing to do so.

In the course of the discussion, Cardiff Councillor Suzanne Partridge wondered if the group would not be better off co-ordinating its efforts through one of the existing chambers of commerce, a comment which launched a debate over the relevance of the Haliburton Highlands Chamber to Highlands East. The question is particularly topical, as Reeve Keith Tallman pointed out, in light of the recent request from the chamber for funding from the county in the amount of approximately \$150,000.

There was general agreement that, in the

past, the chamber's relationship with the eastern townships had been poor. "We often don't even get on the map," commented Stoughton, referring to promotional material produced by the chamber in the past, which provided little information about the eastern parts of the county.

Deputy Reeve and Glamorgan Councillor Chuck Viner concurred, commenting that it was his impression, as a past member of the chamber, that they had shown little interest in promoting the organization or soliciting memberships.

Partridge, in contrast, praised the Bancroft Chamber of Commerce for its efforts in promoting the area, noting that of 20 pages in a recent publication, four were devoted to Highlands East.

"What does the Haliburton Chamber do for us?" Reeve Tallman wondered. "There are only 225 members and they are asking for that kind of money," he said, adding that Highlands East now pays approximately 15 percent of the county budget.

"That's crazy," said Partridge. "We definitely need to make a statement about this."

"We should ask the county to formally allocate a share of the chamber funding to the AGTBA," suggested Tallman. A resolution passed to this effect.

Hydro deregulation

Council passed a resolution in support of the Township of Ramara, which, in its own resolution, urged the province to "reconsider its decision to privatize Hydro One and deregulate the energy market."

Ramara cited growing doubt in the mind of the public about the success of deregulation, and concern about substantial increases in the cost of electricity, among other things, as the impetus

behind their resolution.

Regarding Highlands East's own hydro electric account, CAO Stoughton-Craig wondered if it might be possible for the county to purchase hydro power for all the townships, en bloc, at a reduced rate from a deregulated supplier, helping to mitigate potential increases in cost. All agreed it was something that should be investigated.

Fire guidelines questioned

Fire Chief Bill Wingrove informed council of new Fire Marshall's guidelines which stipulate that fire departments should maintain a record of having 10 men arrive at the fire scene, within 10 minutes of receiving the dispatch call, 90% of the time.

"This is an unrealistic time frame for any rural volunteer fire department," he explained. "A lot of rural communities are against it."

While the stipulations are only guidelines at this time, he was concerned about the way that guidelines tend to eventually become requirements. Council agreed to send a letter, petitioning the Solicitor General to remove the response time stipulation from the guidelines for rural areas.

Roads

Roads Superintendent Barry Dunford indicated that, although it had gotten off to a rather slow start, staking work required for the 9-1-1 service was now underway.

A "roads tour" to help familiarize all council members with roads in all the wards of the amalgamated township was scheduled for May 7th.

Washrooms at Pine Lake Beach?

Councillor Viner raised what he acknowledged was likely to be a controversial issue when he asked council to consider installing some sort of public washroom facility at the Pine Lake Beach,

in Gooderham, which currently has none, although the beach is used extensively in the summer. As a result, he felt conditions were bad enough that he would not allow his own grandchildren to swim there. It was also not acceptable, pointed out CAO Stoughton-Craig, that the Red Cross Swimming programs were being conducted at a beach with no public washrooms.

In the past, the erection of toilet facilities was vigorously opposed by local residents. There was general agreement that something must be done to rectify the situation, the only question being where to locate the washroom. Council members agreed to add a side trip to the beach to their "roads tour" itinerary, to survey possible sites.

Highland Grove community centre

Councillor Partridge reported that the new Highland Grove Community Centre has seen a busy month. The luncheons have been particularly successful, raising a profit, to date, of \$243.57. An Easter sunrise service was attended by 31 people. A play is being prepared by the community children, with a performance scheduled for June 1st, from 7 to 7:30 pm. Plans are in the works for the purchase of basketball nets and ping pong table accessories. The anticipated acquisition of a 36 inch TV, VCR and DVD, will also allow the centre to host movie nights. Council agreed to a request by Partridge to amend the previously agreed upon cost limit for the TV and video equipment from \$1,000 to \$2,000 (plus taxes) to accommodate the larger TV size needed to show movies.

Chuck Viner noted that the new TV and VCR were now in place in the Gooderham Community Centre, and had already generated a lot of interest.

NOTE: The municipal toll free number, for residents in the former township of Cardiff, for whom the 448 exchange would normally be long distance, is now functional. 1-866-448-2981.



Reeve Keith Tallman and other Highlands East councillors wanted to send a message to the County about the usefulness of the Chamber.

Haliburton Highlands Chamber to Highlands East. The question is particularly topical, as Reeve Keith Tallman pointed out, in light of the recent request from the chamber for funding from the county in the amount of approximately \$150,000.

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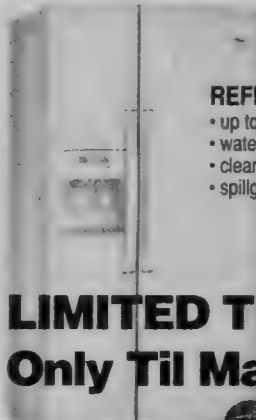
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Gold-winners Andrew Mansfield and Cheryl Ripley show winning form in recent competition.

HHHS duo strikes gold

KENNETH JACKSON

Staff Reporter

With only a little more than a month to prepare, the senior high school badminton mixed doubles team walked away with gold at a competition in Bancroft on April 22.

Andrew Mansfield and Cheryl Ripley of Haliburton Highlands Secondary School make up the successful tandem that placed first at the COSSA championship for badminton. The duo move on to the OFSAA badminton championships in Sudbury May 8 to 11.

"We are really excited that we get to go to OFSSA," said Mansfield.

Ripley said this will be the first time they will be going to OFSSA together. "It's going to be a lot of fun."

Their coach says their work ethic and smart play helped them win at COSSA.

"They are both good athletes and very smart," said Jason Morissette. "The game involves strategy. You have to know where to play the birdie and find the weaknesses of the other team."

He said they practised more than anyone other team at the school. He also said the win is especially important because they beat mainly "club" teams.

"Most of those teams at COSSA play in clubs all-year-round. So they get to practise together much longer. We just have a high school team," he said. "For them to win COSSA is pretty good. They worked hard."

The badminton teams from HHSS have practised five days a week after school since March 1, including March Break.

The senior team was not the only HHSS badminton team to win gold at OFSSA.

Kate Dawson and Nicole Manary of the junior girls double team won gold also, but cannot move on to OFSSA, because there is no junior level there.

"We don't mind not moving on. It gives us more time to do other things," said Dawson.

The other things would be track and field which both girls are participating in.

They're Raiding the North this weekend

Bark Lake Leadership Centre and Adventure Racing Weekend Frontier Adventure Racing Inc., Canada's premiere adventure racing company, are hosting Raid the North, a 36-hour adventure race that will be coming to Haliburton this weekend. This non-stop race will take teams of four through a 150 km course of canoeing, trekking and mountain biking.

"Last year at Bark Lake we created an outdoor festival atmosphere around our Raid the North race to make the weekend more of a community event," said David Zietsma, president of Frontier Adventure Racing Inc. "With the addition of a Bark Lake Skills Day and the Salomon Adventure Challenge, the weekend drew in quite a crowd to this fabulous facility and introduced many to the growing sport of adventure racing."

In addition to Raid the North, Frontier Adventure Racing will also be offering the Salomon Adventure Challenge.

This one-day event will take place Saturday and will take teams of three through a 40 km course of canoeing, mountain biking and trekking. Designed to be a fun, yet challenging, way to enjoy adventure racing, this race is a great opportunity for beginners to participate.

There will also be a pre-race training program on the Thursday prior to the race. The one-day training program will cover all aspects of adventure racing, including teamwork, navigation, equipment and survival skills. Open to anyone, whether participating in a race or not, this program is great for first-timers who want to learn more about the sport, as well as for experienced competitors who want to take their skills to the next level.

Registration information for both the Pre-Race Training Program and Salomon Adventure Challenge are available online at www.RAIDTHENORTH.com.

The following is a schedule of events for the Raid the North weekend:

Thursday, May 2: 9 a.m. Pre-Race Training Program.

Friday, May 3: 8 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. Registration (Bark Lake - Pavilion); 4p.m. - 5 p.m. Race Briefing (Dining Centre). Midnight: Race Starts

Saturday, May 4: 10 a.m. Salomon Adventure Challenge. Throughout the day, introductory programs to canoeing, orienteering, first aid and the high ropes challenge course. 6:30 p.m. Raid the North Video Update.

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Lester brothers win national championships

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Staff Reporter

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Luke fought an engine seizure to take third in his final race. Given his strong track record earlier in the season, however,

he only needed to finish within five spots of last year's champion to capture the number one plate.

A.J. needed only to qualify for the final race and take the green in the 440 final at Sun Peaks to secure the title.

During the season A.J. tallied 26 straight first-place finishes while winning the CRSA regional and both CRSA national championship classes.

Luke is also the 2002 CRSA pro 440 and 600 regional champion and he finished second overall in the national 440 and regional pro open.

Next year the South Lake brothers are going to be competing against each other when A.J. makes the jump from semi to CRSA's pro division.



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South Lake brothers Luke and A.J. Lester came home from races in British Columbia with national Snocross titles. Next year they'll be competing against each other.



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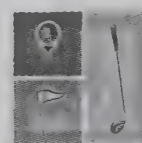
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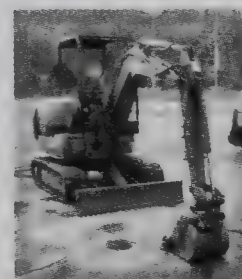
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Fibre optic cables bring speed to internet, but at a huge price

To the Editor:

Re: Communication world is changing. Fibre-speed at what price?

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So those who insist upon installing fiber are forced into laying cable. That brings into consideration right of way and permits, as well as the high cost of trenching and laying cable, even if the connection in question is just a few

meters from building to building. Plus, lines often require monthly service fees that never go away. With an OC-3 leased line, the total cost for three years is \$546,000.

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Wireless radios, on the other hand, can now handle up to one gig per second, which would unlikely ever be needed in Haliburton County.

Because no physical connections are required, no cable is laid. This, of course, also means no rights of way need to be secured and no permits need to be required. That is one reason that installations can be accomplished in just one or two business days.

Russ Hemphill,
Halcom Communications Ltd.
Haliburton

Echo praised for tackling important issue

To the Editor:

My wife and I want to congratulate you on your April 23 issue of *The Echo*.

We were in the area looking for a cottage to rent and picked up the paper in town. We enjoy reading the local news. There were many excellent articles in this issue but we were especially struck by the editorial and story on "Being Gay".

Unfortunately, it probably took courage to write what you did.

Society is often cruel to people who

are different from the majority whether it be sexual orientation or physical appearance, race, religion etc. Teenagers are often persecuted, some even murdered, by their peers (eg Reena Veerk sp? in Victoria BC).

We all need to work at respecting differences and acting tolerantly of others.

Keep up the good work.

Sincerely,
Joyce and John Clark
Toronto, Ontario

Rail Trail unusable by walkers, cyclists, because of water problem

To the Editor:

Perhaps if enough of us complained, the county roads department would find it in their hearts (and budget) to make passable the walking trail which was the old railway bed, south of Haliburton (and elsewhere).

Within a half mile of town, there is a bog which covers the trail for 30 feet or more, six inches deep at least. This pool

used to dry up in the summer, but it doesn't do so anymore, thus making the trail useless to walkers and bicyclists from March to December. I used to take off my shoes and wade through, but in the last 10 year, this bog has become so polluted - something else which should be looked into, surely - I won't do this anymore. There were frogs and muskrats in this marsh a decade ago, but it has now passed their level of poison-tolerance. And mine.

Would any of you use this wonderful trail for hiking, bird-watching, dog-walking or bicycling - and I've met many who have had to turn back in

disgust and disappointment - please write a note to Roy Haig, Box 880, Minden, KOM 2K0, or complain to the county roads department, or wherever you think it will do the most good!

J. Wykes,
Haliburton

Editor's note: The Echo phoned Roy Haig about Ms. Wylie's letter. He says

the county road department must wait until water levels lower before determining whether it can fix the problem within this year's \$20,000 budget for the rail trail. "If we can get some of it cleaned up after it dries up, we'll do the best we can."

Warden Eleanor Harrison says she's worried that council's decision not to spend much money on the rail trail will "come back to haunt us."

"I don't think we can keep on putting minimal money into the trail because it won't stand up," she says. "We're not putting enough money into it to maintain a very good standard."



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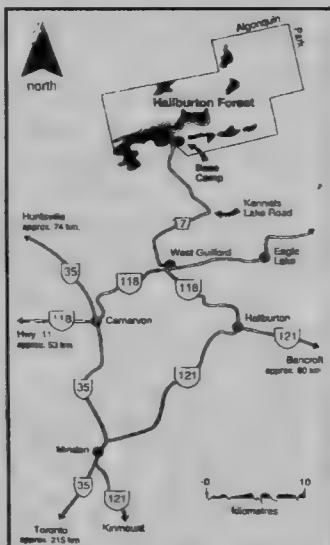
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Lions Club revitalized by team effort, principles

To the Editor:

On behalf of the Haliburton and District Lions Club, I want to thank the local media for their coverage of the District A-16 Lions Convention which was held in Haliburton on the weekend of April 19, 20 and 21. Delegates who attended that Convention were quick to praise the amount of media support we received.

The article in your April 23 edition, which described the events of the weekend was wonderful. I would, however, like to elaborate upon a comment attributed to Governor-elect Lion Brian Moore when he credited me with having "revitalized" the Haliburton Club.

Whereas I appreciate his kind comments, I need to state that any group is only as strong as its total membership. A few years ago a small group of Haliburton Lions made the decision to stay the course and continue their good work based on the principles of Lionism. They became the strong foundation upon which we have been able to build the current active and vital club.

Anyone who attended the convention would have seen a total team effort and it is this sense of "team" that permeates all that we, as a club, do. This is what has "revitalized" our club and this is what will make us successful in the future, as we strive to continue a high level of support for worthy causes within our community.

When we speak of a pride of Lions, the operative word, here, is "pride". Hats off to the Haliburton Lions....you did a fantastic job.

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Lion David Mills,
President,
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Yes, OPSEU strike about money, but the issues are complex

To the Editor:

I concur with most of the comments in the April 16 editorial about the OPSEU strike comments, I think you should look a little harder throughout the Highlands for evidence of the strike's impacts.

Provincial parks are not opening on time, and if they do they are badly understaffed with little if any enforcement of the rules of good camping. Those unscrupulous scum, the poachers, are having a field day with fish and wildlife resources, especially at a time of year when these resources are their most vulnerable.

Nobody's watching crown land timber to regulate what's being cut. Overloaded trucks are ruining paved roadways during the spring thaw. Unsafe trucks aren't being stopped, inspected and taken off the roads if warranted.

Millions of fish in our provincial hatcheries are at risk because they aren't being cared for properly with a number of reports of heavy mortality rates due to disease and lack of proper equipment maintenance.

Patients in psych facilities are receiving less than even basic, minimal care. Forest fire season is going to erupt in our faces as a result of a lack of preparedness. The list goes on.

As to your comment, "There's little public support for the type of pay increases OPSEU is demanding.", I must take genuine exception. This strike is about a lot more than increases but it is about money in many ways. Since the first strike in 1996, OPSEU members have lost 12% of

their buying power to inflation. This government wants to take back benefits we fought to get over the years. They want to keep their hands on our share of the surpluses in our pension trust, rather than let us use our own money to make retirement a little more palatable for our members. People classed as "unclassifieds", such as the many women who work in our court systems, are the sweatbacks of the public service and the government wants to keep it that way. These women, a number of them single moms, have no job security, no benefits, no chance for advancement. If a judge decides to take time off, go on vacation, attend a four-day conference, these staff can be laid off without notice for that amount of time, and certainly, without pay. Our jails are a horrendous mess.

The government offered us 1.95%/year. Our negotiators are now asking 2.5%/year. Hardly outlandish pay increases. Especially since Chris Hodgson and his cronies voted themselves more than 36%.

Get out on the streets of Haliburton and area. Talk to local merchants. Ask them how business is since provincial employees in the county have been out of work for two months and even when this strike is over, won't see a paycheque for a month after that.

All I'm looking for here, as a former newspaper editor myself, is balanced journalism with a trace of objectivity.

Bob Thomas
Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario

Soldiers' deaths show old lessons not learned

To the Editor:

With much despair, along with many fellow Canadians, I watched the ceremony bringing four courageous Canadian Soldiers, allegedly killed by an American bomb in Afghanistan, home in coffins.

I was reminded of a popular World War II saying, which if I remember correctly, was coined by German soldiers. It originated because of the inaccuracy of American bombings. It went like this: If the R.A.F. or Commonwealth countries are bombing, the Germans

run for cover. If the Luftwaffe are bombing, the Allies run for cover. But, if the Americans are bombing, everyone runs for cover.

Sadly for four dead and eight wounded gallant Canadian soldiers, sixty years have passed with no lessons learned.

Mabel Branningan,
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Happy 10th, Charlie

*It's been
a decade since
Gus and Woody
blew into town*

MARTHA PERKINS

Editor

Why is it that the laugh lines around Charlie Teljeur's eyes furrow more deeply into his face but the people who make him smile haven't aged a bit in the past 10 years?

Such is the magic of cartoons.

Gus, Woody and the gang have been commenting on life in Boonieville every week for a decade now, yet they aren't showing any signs of aging.

The same, alas, can't be said for Teljeur, the Gelert resident who invented that everywhere/anywhere small town called Boonieville and infuses it with life every week. His sense of humour may keep him young, but he's no Dorian Gray. No pact with the devil here to keep himself young by having his artistic creations take on the vestiges of age.

But at least Teljeur has something on his characters when it comes to maturity. Gus may still be the kind-hearted naif, getting into trouble because he simply doesn't know better, but his creator's humour has more depth, more subtlety. Teljeur is maturing as an artist and by necessity, so too is Boonieville.

On April 28, 1992, Teljeur's first Boonieville strip appeared in *The Echo*. He was 26 and thought that cartoons were like hockey — you attained your goal with good slapstick.

Now he's 36 and, as well as looking just a tad older, his humour in Boonieville is more developed. Today, instead of slapstick, his humour is more like a boomerang — it throws a good curve before coming back to hit you squarely between the eyes.

For instance, there's Gus and Woody sitting on a bench (probably on Main Street.) Gus is upset that people from the city never seem to smile when they pass by. He sets off to do something about it. When he returns to the bench, Woody asks "So, did you get a smile?"

No, Gus replies, "I got a restraining order."

If you think that takes a punch at city dwellers, how do think this one looks on local residents: A young boy is job-shadowing a Boonieville man. They're waiting next to the mailbox for the man's unemployment insurance cheque ... As Teljeur says "I like to go into corners no one goes into. I don't mean to step



MARTHA PERKINS/Echo

Woody wants to be a yokel

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on toes but I don't avoid it either. Humour shouldn't necessarily be safe."

Then there's Gus wearing a helmet as he reads an anniversary card he wrote for his wife. The need for the helmet becomes evident when you listen to him recite "I know you're getting older, I know you're getting gray, I know you're getting bigger than on our wedding day. But there's only one for me and when push comes to shove, I just figure that gives me more of you to love."

Hallmark won't come knocking on Gus's door.

Of course, some of the cartoons do pack a hefty punchline. One of the funniest describes the time Gus and Woody clock how long it would take for a rumour of a couple's divorce to spread - "12.4 seconds, a new record!" (Pull that stunt at the Kozy Korner during the regular morning coffee klatch and you might even give Boonieville a run for its money!)

Here's how Teljeur views the inhabitants of that fictional place called Boonieville, which, despite its frequent similarities with Haliburton, is really just an amalgam of small towns across the continent.

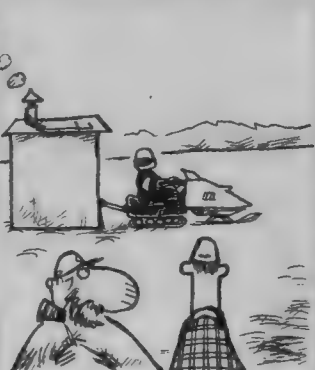
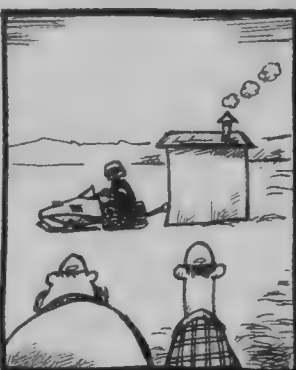
First there's Gus, the big guy

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SO THEN... MY GREAT-AUNT BERTIE AND YOUR FATHER'S UNCLE QUENTIN...

NO IT'S MY MOTHER'S UNCLE QUENTIN WHOSE DAUGHTER IS MY SISTER PEARL...



with the beard.

"He's not so much dumb as uninformed," Teljeur says. "He's the type of guy who always thinks he knows what's going on. He tries to be an expert at everything but he's faking his way through."

Teljeur says "If there's anyone

like me, it's Gus. Gus always feels he can change the world somehow."

Gus's wife is Judy. "Everything that Gus isn't, she is."

Best friend status goes to Woody. "He's a yokel wannabe. He's been in town within the past 10 years and brought with him a

lot of his intelligence and worldly ways. He's trying to be a good ol' boy to fit in with the gang."

Teljeur's a bit sheepish when he admits that the women characters haven't been a constant presence, especially Woody's wife, Gwen, who has appeared a handful of times...

One woman he has much more fun with is Madge Sinclair, the town gossip.

He also has a fondness for Clem, "the old ratchet guy who hates everyone in town. He's a little more black and white about things." Clem doesn't want anyone new moving into Boonieville, the "I was born here and you weren't" type of guy.

While Clem has "numerous" grandsons, it's not really clear whether Gus and Woody have children. They haven't appeared in any of the sketches, but that doesn't mean they might not feature in Boonieville life in the future.

Then there are the animals. Teljeur loves being their muse, letting their true personalities shine through, be they raccoons or deer or bears (or even sock puppets, although they're neither human nor animal).

The animals came to life when Teljeur was having problems coming up with a new twist on Gus and Woody but now they make regular appearances. Over the winter, we saw a lot of snowmen, too.

One of Teljeur's cartoon strips was of the more "gosh, oh shucks" kind of cartoons. In it, on

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In Boonieville, even the bears have attitude



Charlie Teljeur

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February 22, 1994, Gus is asked to read a message from "the guy who draws me" to a certain young woman named Gina:

"Oh my God, it's finally here, the moment of fabled truth. The time to start my adult life and leave behind my youth..."

"Just give me a second to gather my thoughts, and a tissue to wipe my nose. The nerves are shaky, the knees are weak, Oh what the hell, here goes..."

"With sweaty palms and a racing heart, and a head that feels quite light, Don't stop me now, I'm on a roll, just let me get this right..."

"My mouth is open, my eyes are closed, I'd rather hear than

see, I have to ask you these few words:

"Gina ... will you marry me?"

So there it was, the marriage proposal for all to read. Teljeur says he wouldn't have risked public embarrassment if he wasn't so sure the answer would be yes. But how was the reader to know?

Teljeur laughs when he remembers the week after the strip first came out and before *The Echo* printed a story with Gina's "I do."

It turns out Gina had taken the engagement ring in to be sized. That meant, in the first few days after the proposal went public, she wasn't wearing a ring. Did that mean she had broken

Teljeur's heart and turned him down? "She started wearing gloves, even when she was inside, because she didn't want people to think she'd said no," he says. They were married a year later. Today, she works at Wigamog Inn and he's the mail room supervisor at Patient News Publishing in Haliburton, where he also draws cartoons for the dentists' newsletters.

At first, Teljeur thought seriously about selling the strip to daily syndicates, but they are more concerned about demographics than making people laugh just for the sake of it. Today, he sees weekly papers in non-urban areas as his prime target. *Boonieville* appears in about a

dozen other papers and Teljeur hopes the number will continue to grow.

He has a much broader audience in his *Instigator* cartoon which appears regularly on CBC Sports' web page.

"That's the dream - to have multiple things," he says.

In his 10 years at *The Echo*, his only disappointment is that he hasn't received more feedback about his cartoons, either good or bad. "I wish people would respond when they see one they like or dislike," he says.

Well, at least we know what Gus, Woody, Judy, Clem and the gang would say.

Thanks, Charlie, for 10 good years of life. It's been a laugh.

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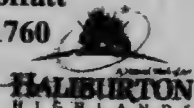
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Murray Agnew honoured for service

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as a gift of appreciation for his helping hands*

Murray Agnew was honoured on Sunday, April 28 for his many years (at least 20) as a Lay Reader at St. Margaret's Anglican Church here in the village. Lay Readers are dedicated members appointed by clergy to help the minister with various parts of church services.

In this role Murray has taken his turn over the years, making announcements, leading prayers and hymns, reading scripture and even occasionally delivering a homily. This is an important role in a two-point parish where one minister takes services both here and at St. George's in Haliburton.

Murray has cheerfully and willingly given his time to do this work so important to congregation and clergy. Rev. Christopher Greaves expressed appreciation of Murray's faithful service at an after-church breakfast/lunch at the All Star Restaurant.

All present agreed that Murray has contributed long and well in the life of the church. As a gift of appreciation, additional Prayer Books will be placed in the church in Murray's name.

Roberta Walsh called to remind curlers who may have been saving the U.P.C. symbols from Scott products that she would like to send them in soon. So if any of you have some, please take them to Roberta, or leave them at Agnew's as soon as possible. This has been a good fund raiser for the curling club for the past several years.

We are pleased to hear that Ross Agnew is home again,

completing his recovery from a broken hip. Ross fell near his home several weeks ago. He had partial hip replacement in Ross Memorial Hospital in Lindsay and then some rehabilitation in Haliburton Hospital. Best wishes Ross for a speedy complete recovery.

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Watson Centre stage. Secondly, they all have an age-related theme running through the action that takes place in them. How do the characters in those scenes deal with advancing years? Family members, employers, caregivers, individual themselves? Is it with concern, with love, with humour, in a matter-of-fact realistic manner, thoughtlessly or condescendingly?

See "Sports Legend" by James Patterson and "Care: Level 4" by Doris Hillis, two short dramas, and "From Five to Five-Thirty" a comedy by Philip Johnson. There are sure to be moments in all three plays to which you can relate, be disturbed by or chuckle over.

On the April 13 and 14 weekend a new venture was launched in earnest and with great enthusiasm in our area of the Highlands. Entitled the Highlands Challenge, a race for beginners which required teams to participate in several different challenging outdoor activities, was



DARREN LUM/echo

Murray Agnew was honoured for his 20 years as a Lay Reader at St. Margaret's Anglican Church.

staged from an area just east of Vinegar Hill off County Road 4. The 53 participants came in from across Ontario to hike, to run, to orienteer (find your way to check points with a compass), to ride mountain bikes, to climb down a rock face by rope (or bypass it on a "chicken run"), to do a river crossing and to canoe on the river. The Wilderness Bound Adventure Company of Melissa Bramham and her partner Lea Kitler developed and hosted the race. The race marshalling area and workshop centre is on the property of retirees Mark and Sandra Bramham, Melissa's parents. Using the Bramham forests and meadow, the old I.B.O. railway line, crown land and with co-operation of neighbours, Melissa and Lea brought the participants and thirty volunteers to experience our great outdoors, our "wilderness".

On Saturday there were opportunities to participate in workshops or clinics that related to the Sunday race. Leaders were brought in to present information on Orienteering and reading topographical maps, mountain

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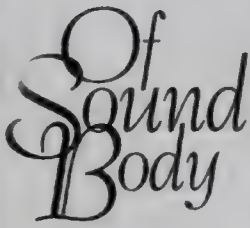
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New outdoor challenge brings in 53 participants from across Ontario

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from recent storms and spring run off. It included racing on the rail line from what locals call High Brown's siding, through Tory Hill to Gooderham. The last leg of the race, canoeing on the river to Irondale had to be cancelled because of high water levels. In spite of that, there was much positive feedback from the racers, volunteers and leaders.

An Adventure Challenge race similar to this recent one will be hosted near the end of June. There will likely be different challenges for the participants – warmer weather, less water, more leaves on trees to camouflage the check points and possibly a few black flies and mosquitos. But

that's part of the challenge.

Students from Port Perry High School enjoyed Orienteering and hiking this past weekend. Scouts Canada groups will visit in May. Good luck to Melissa and Lea in this venture in Eco-Tourism.

As costumes are assembled, lines rehearsed, props and set pieces located and gathered and stage extension and flats brought in, the members of the Loop Troupe are settling into the final preparations for our spring production on Friday, May 10 and Saturday May 11. Three one-act plays will be presented each night beginning at 7:30. Tickets are only \$5. for adults if purchased in advance at Agnew's Store, or \$7. at the door. It's \$3. for those 12

and under. It is exciting to have two new people, Sandra Hall and Susan Allan in one of the casts. And a new challenge to stage three plays in one evening. The audiences will likely enjoy watching how efficiently and well the stage crew can work to change the sets. Great fun!

Snow flurries on Monday, Earth Day, put a damper on any enthusiasm folks may have had to plant, pick up trash on streets and roads. But it may have given some a head start on Canada Book Day which is Tuesday, April 23. A great chance to read about gardening or preserving the environment. Have you been to the library lately? It's a good day or week to drop by and borrow a good book. Get acquainted

with your librarians! Read something by one of our fine Canadian authors – an Atwood, Munro, Wright, Lawrence, Findley, Berton, Montgomery, Shields, MacLeod, Urquhart or Richler. Or maybe Stephen Leacock or Arthur Black or Red Green! Or reread a favourite from your own shelves. Maybe reread, or finish Mustard Plasters and Handcare. Celebrate books and reading!

May we add our sympathy to Leola Pacey and her family on the death of her husband of almost sixty years (Sonny) Harcourt Pacey. Sonny, who died on April 12, 2002 in the Peterborough Hospital, had been in poor health for several years and suffered greatly in recent weeks.



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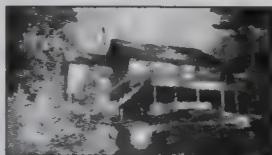
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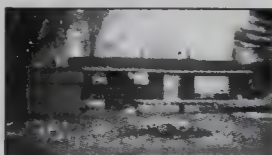
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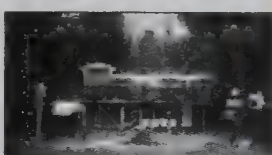
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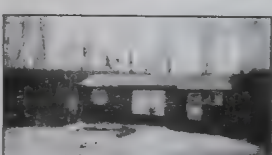
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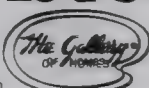
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Spring is in the air once again. The trees are budding, the flowers are starting to bloom, and of course it's time for the annual elections at the Legion.

Legion members, mark this date and time on your calendar: Thursday, May 9th at 7:30 p.m. It is very important that you come out and vote for the candidates of your choice who will be responsible for the running of your branch for the next year. Anyone interested in serving on the executive is urged to come out and have some-

one nominate you for office. Remember that you must produce your 2002 membership card in order to vote.

Bingo Players: There will be two \$1,000. bingos in May. The first one is on May 1st, and the second on May 29th. Come out and try your luck and who knows ...?

The Sunday morning brunches continue to be well attended. The brunches in May are on the 5th and 17th. Come out and join your friends for a delicious (and inexpensive) meal.

The 6th annual Legion-sponsored Elementary School Track and Field Meet will be held on May 25th at the Haliburton High School. There are athletes from eight Haliburton County schools; more than 300 students will participate in this event.

Swing away at Spring Classic

Haliburton County Home Support Services is holding its 2nd Annual Spring Golf Classic at Blairhampton Golf Course on Tuesday, June 18th.

The 9 hole tournament begins at 1:00 p.m. and will be followed by a delicious steak barbecue dinner at the clubhouse. A terrific assortment of prizes and awards

will be handed out.

Prices are as follows: \$70. for a complete package of golf, cart and dinner; \$50. for golf and cart only; or \$25. for dinner only. For golfers wanting to play 18 holes, this can also be arranged.

To register please contact Roxanne at HCHSS at 457-2941.

Sculpture forest comes to town

Rail's End opener jam-packed
with 'Moose Scraps' and other sculptures

AMY BROHM

Rails End Administrator

Meet the artists who have launched the Haliburton Sculpture Forest at the Rail's End Gallery on Saturday, May 4, beginning at 2 p.m. Leo Sepa, Kevin Lockau and Mary Ellen Farrow will be on hand for the first opening reception of the season.

The opening exhibit of 2002 runs from May 1 to 29, and will consist of both stone and metal sculptures by the first three sculptors commissioned for the Haliburton Sculpture Forest.

Kevin Lockau from Bancroft, creator of "Dreaming Stones", is a self-taught artist and has been sculpting with stone for the past 18 years. He works with locally found granite boulders to form 3-dimensional, lifelike pieces. His work can also be seen at the Detroit Zoo and in the collections of the Sky Dome Stadium, Musee des arts decoratifs de Montreal, the Cleveland Museum of Art and the Musee des arts decoratifs de la Ville de Lausanne Switzerland, among others.

Mary Ellen Farrow of Brantford has completed courses at Sheridan College, Haliburton School of the Arts and the Ontario College of Art and Design. She

also works in stone using broad, rounded, rhythmic lines that conform to the natural character of the stone. In addition to the Sculpture Forest, she has also been commissioned to produce works for the Frank McKechnie Community Centre

Library in Mississauga, the Living Arts Centre in Mississauga, and the Brampton City Hall.

Leo Sepa of Iron Jive of Norland, and designer of "Moose Scraps," is also self-taught and has augmented his talents by taking courses at the Haliburton School of the Arts. He enjoys working with metal and "found objects" to produce caricatures, wall splays, gargoyles, masks, garden sculptures, wildlife, weather vanes and much more, all with his own personal creativity and sense of fun and whimsy. He has been a participant in the Haliburton County Studio Tour for several years.

Many have seen his "Eagle" on display at Eagle Lake.

All are welcome to the official opening on Saturday, May 4th, from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. at the Gallery. Refreshments will be served. For more information, call the Rail's End Gallery at 457-2330.



Kevin Lockau is just one of the featured sculptors at Rail's End.

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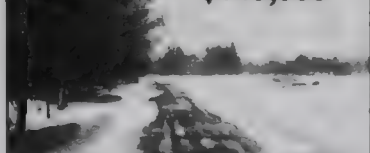
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Fight or flight

OPSEU argues with MNR over use of helicopters

SHERYL LOUCKS

Staff Reporter

Now entering week eight of the Ontario Public Service Employees Union strike, the new local flap is over helicopters and the mobilization of water bombers.

OPSEU Local 309 members from the Fire Operations Headquarters in Haliburton are alleging the Ministry of Natural Resources is wasting \$60,000 to \$70,000 a day to have helicopters across the province on stand-by, including one large helicopter that spent the better part of last week stationed at Stanhope Airport.

Ron MacKenzie, OPSEU, says the Ontario Labour Relations Board recently ruled in the union's favour when the union claimed MNR managers were manipulating normal procedures in order to put on unnecessary red alerts - calling in fire crews to work.

Within the last week, he says, the government has ignored the reality of low fire hazards and hired ten helicopters to provide the initial attack on forest fires.

MacKenzie says the Essential

Services Agreement outlines two types of helicopters that may be used but the chopper at Stanhope is a larger class of helicopter not in the ESA.

"It is a gross waste. What they have done is hired helicopters like scabs. These large helicopters cost \$1,200 to \$1,500 an hour."

Rob McAlpine, acting communications supervisor for MNR, insists the government in this case, has not violated the ESA.

He argues it is standard procedure to have ready across the province the four MNR light helicopters and an additional nine seasonally hired helicopters on long-term hire contracts along with additional helicopters on short contracts as conditions warrant them.

"The fire situation is low but earlier in the (last) week spring grass fires were spreading from Pembroke to Kenora. We're expecting a high pressure system to move in (making conditions worse). At this time of year grass can dry out in a number of hours," says McAlpine.

He added the situation can change rapidly and they need the helicopters along with MNR owned

water bombers to be mobilized and ready.

McAlpine says OPSEU members are obstructing fire crews from going to work decreasing the fire system's preparedness. He says last week 14 crews were called in across the province for a red alert and only three crews made it across the picket lines.

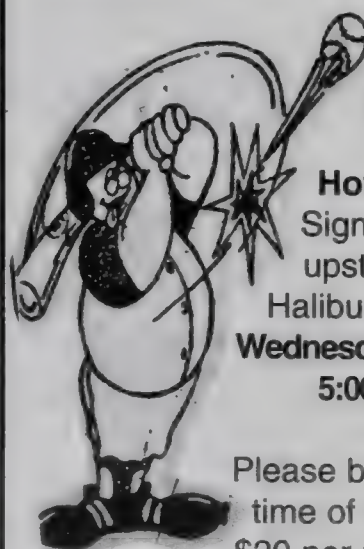
"The OLRB (labour board) has ruled in some cases that management has been a bit aggressive at putting more crews on red alert than needed," McAlpine admits.

However, he quickly adds that it is an OPSEU member in the control and command structure that depends when a red alert is to be called.

MacKenzie argues the OPSEU member called a duty supervisor does have that ability but can and is being overruled by management who have the power under the Strategic Operating Plan to decide whether red alerts are warranted or not for local conditions.

Both sides claim the other is impinging the safety of the system and are frustrated by the lack of meaningful negotiations.

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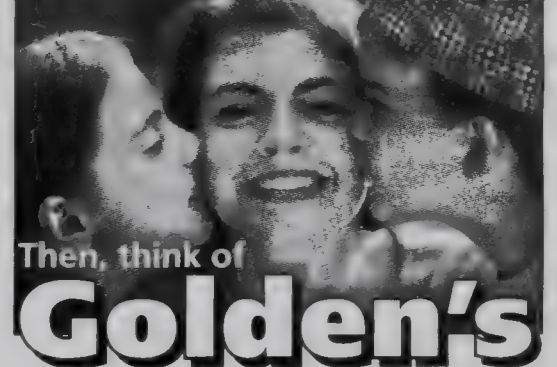
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Haliburton County Development Corporation - Arts Committee

Request for Applications for Artist in Residence Program, June 2002

Haliburton County is home to a vibrant arts community and attracts thousands of visitors each year who are interested in art, culture and outdoor activities. The Haliburton Sculpture Forest is part of an ongoing initiative of the Haliburton County Development Corporation Arts Committee to raise awareness of the visual arts in the Haliburton Highlands.

The Haliburton Arts Committee invites applications from accomplished outdoor sculptural artists for a four week Artist in residence, program in June 2002, situated in the town of Haliburton Ontario.

The successful candidate will:

- create sculptural works of his/her own choice, with the understanding that one piece will be installed in the Sculpture Forest.

- hold workshops/demonstrations for local artists/artisans and the general public, and give a public talk.

The artist in residence program includes the use of appropriate studio space, housing, an artist's fee, plus funds for materials, site preparation, installation and signage.

Further details on this program may be obtained from:

Haliburton County Development Corporation, Arts Committee, Artist in Residence program,
P.O. Box 210, Haliburton, On. K0M 1S0
Phone: Patti Tallman, 457-3555
e-mail: hcdc@halhinet.on.ca

The successful candidate will have a demonstrated skill in developing sculptures suitable for long term, outdoor installation.

Deadline for submissions: Monday, May 13, 2002, 4:00 p.m.



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Municipality of Highlands East

NOTICE

(Applicant - WALKER)

IN THE MATTER of the Municipal Act and in the matter of a proposed by-law of the corporation of the Municipality of Highlands East to close, stop-up and convey certain portions of an original allowance for road along the shore of Koshlong Lake, more particularly hereinafter described.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, pursuant to Chapter M45, Section 297 and Section 300 of the Municipal Act, R.S.O. 1990, as amended, that the Township Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Highlands East proposes to consider and if deemed advisable, to pass at its regular meeting to be held at the Council Chambers, Wilberforce, Ontario on Tuesday, the 11th day of June, 2002, at 9:00 a.m., a By-Law to close, stop-up and convey to the adjacent land owners the following described lands:

Part of the original shore road allowance in front of Lot 13, Concession 15, Township of Glamorgan, Municipality of Highlands East, County of Haliburton, shown as Parts 2 and 3 (Part 3 being the flooded portion, will be retained by the Municipality of Highlands East) on a Preliminary Plan of Survey made by Paul Wilson O.L.S., dated October 12, 2001.

The Preliminary Plan of Survey as referred to above is available for inspection during regular office hours at the Municipality of Highland East offices, Wilberforce, Ontario.

AND TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that before passing the said By-Law at the meeting to be held at the time and place above mentioned, the Municipality of Highlands East shall then and there hear in person or by his counsel, solicitor or agent, any person who claims that his, her or their lands will be prejudicially affected by the said By-Law and who applies to be heard.

DATED at the Municipality of Highlands East, (Wilberforce) Ontario this 9th day of April, 2002.

Sharon Stoughton-Craig
CAO/Clerk-Treasurer
Box 295
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Municipality of Highlands East

NOTICE

(Applicant - DART)

IN THE MATTER of the Municipal Act and in the matter of a proposed by-law of the corporation of the Municipality of Highlands East to close, stop-up and convey certain portions of an original allowance for road along the shore of Monmouth Lake, more particularly hereinafter described.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, pursuant to Chapter M45, Section 297 and section 300 of the Municipal Act, R.S.O. 1990, as amended, that the Township Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Highlands East proposes to consider and if deemed advisable, to pass at its regular meeting to be held at the Council Chambers, Wilberforce, Ontario on Tuesday, the 11th day of June 2002, at 9:00 a.m., a By-Law to close, stop-up and convey to the adjacent land owners the following described lands:

Part of the original shore road allowance in front of Lot 27, Concession 1, Township of Monmouth, Municipality of Highlands East, County of Haliburton, shown as Part 1 on a Preliminary Plan of Survey made by Paul Wilson O.L.S., dated October 3, 2001.

The Preliminary Plan of Survey as referred to above is available for inspection during regular office hours at the Municipality of Highland East offices, Wilberforce, Ontario.

AND TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that before passing the said By-Law at the meeting to be held at the time and place above mentioned, the Municipality of Highlands East shall then and there hear in person or by his counsel, solicitor or agent, any person who claims that his, her or their lands will be prejudicially affected by the said By-Law and who applies to be heard.

DATED at the Municipality of Highlands East, Wilberforce, Ontario this 9th day of April, 2002.

Sharon Stoughton-Craig
CAO/Clerk-Treasurer
Box 295, Wilberforce, Ontario
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Municipality of Highlands East

NOTICE

(Applicant - L'Abbe/Keith)

IN THE MATTER of the Municipal Act and in the matter of a proposed by-law of the Corporation of the Municipality of Highlands East to close, stop-up and convey certain portions of an original allowance for road along the shore of Koshlong lake, more particularly hereinafter described.

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FIRSTLY: Part of Lot 15, Concession 14, designated as Road Allowance on Crown Land Survey attached to Instrument number 19273, Township of Glamorgan, Municipality of Highlands East, County of Haliburton, shown as part 1 on Plan of Survey made by Paul Wilson, O.L.S., dated June 11, 1999 and;

SECONDLY: Part of the Original Shore Road Allowance in front of Lot 15, Concession 14, Township of Glamorgan, Municipality of Highlands East, County of Haliburton, shown as parts 2 and 3 (Part 3 being the flooded portion to be retained by the Municipality of Highlands East) on a Preliminary Plan of Survey made by Paul Wilson, O.L.S., dated June 11, 1999.

The Plan of Survey as referred to above is available for inspection during regular office hours at the Municipality of Highlands East offices, Wilberforce, Ontario.

AND TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that before passing the said By-Law at the meeting to be held at the time and place above mentioned, the Municipality of Highlands East shall then and there hear in person or by his counsel, solicitor or agent, any person who claims that his, her or their lands will be prejudicially affected by the said By-Law and who applies to be heard.

DATED at the Municipality of Highlands East (Wilberforce), Ontario this 16th day of April, 2002.

Sharon Stoughton-Craig
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Box 295, Wilberforce, Ontario K0L 3C0

Wilberforce Legion election results

The results from the Wilberforce Legion's election on April 16 are as follows:

President: Bonnie Jessup
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2nd Vice President: Richard Young
Treasurer: Nancy Hoskin
Secretary: Pat Furneaux
Sargent at Arms: Len Crawford
Executive at Large: Gil Jessup, Don Fleming, Ethel Scott, Mel Smith, Mac Hughes, Bob Anderson, Chuck Clarkson.

Jim McKellar, Zone #5 Commander of Peterborough, and Lloyd Morgan Deputy Zone #5 of Cardiff, chaired the meeting.

At the April 21st pool tournament hosted by Mac Hughes, Merv Howard came first followed by Blaine

Sisson. This was the last pool tournament until fall.

On Sunday April 28 there's a cribbage tournament hosted by Bob Hayward and the Ladies Auxiliary, 1 p.m. start, \$5 per challenger, which includes a light, lunch.

The month of May will bring the horseshoe tournaments every other weekend.

Saturday May 4 is Karoke night starting at 9 p.m. Don't miss out on this popular night – great fun and lots of laughs.

Friday May 10 is our PotLuck Birthday Bash for May 2002.

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"The Heart of the Highlands"

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING COMMITTEE OF ADJUSTMENT MUNICIPALITY OF DYSART ET AL

DATE: Wednesday, May 15th, 2002.
TIME: 11:00 am.
LOCATION: Council Chambers, Municipal Office, Haliburton, Ontario.

APPLICATIONS:

1.D13-MV-02-008 – Lands of Somerville

- Purpose and Effect: to recognize the location of an existing dwelling.
- Reduce the side building setback to 6.0 feet.
- Location: Part Lot 10, Concession 8, Lot 11, Plan 494, Dysart Township, (Birch Narrows Road).

2D13-MV-02-009 – Lands of 1429432 Ontario Inc.

- Purpose and Effect: to permit construction of a business office.
- Reduce the front building setback to 22 feet.
- Reduce the setback to high water to 22 feet.
- Location: Part Lot 12, Concession 8, Dysart Township (County Road 121 – Grass Lake).

3.D13-MV-02-010 – Lands of Moeser

- Purpose and Effect: to recognize the location of an existing seasonal dwelling.
- Reduce the setback to high water to 34 feet.
- Location: Part Lot 32, Concession 7, Dysart Township (Chandler Point Road – Drag Lake).
- This is a condition of Application for Consent H-71/2001.
- An application to amend the zoning by-law is being processed concurrently with this application.

4.D13-MV-02-011 – Lands of Gewurtz

- Purpose and Effect: to recognize the location of an existing deck.
- Increase the distance a deck may extend into the water setback to 13 feet.
- Location: Part Lot 25, Concession 13, Lot 11, Plan 597, Guilford Township (Redkenn Drive – Pelaw Lake).

•ANY PERSON is entitled to attend the hearing in person to express his/her views about these applications or may be represented by Counsel for that purpose. If you do not attend the hearing the Committee may proceed in your absence and you will not be entitled to any further notice of the proceedings. The Committee will accept written submissions. **A copy of the decision will be sent to the applicant, the agent and to each person who has filed with the Secretary Treasurer a written request for notice of the decision.**

• **FURTHER INFORMATION:** including specific information about the setbacks affected by each application, is available from the Planning Department at the Municipal Office during regular office hours (9:00 am to 5:00 pm, Monday to Friday) or by phoning 705-457-1740.

Patricia Martin
Date: April 29th, 2002
Secretary – Treasurer, Committee of Adjustment



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NOTICE OF COUNCIL MEETING TO CONSIDER AN APPLICATION TO PURCHASE THE SHORELINE ROAD ALLOWANCE

DATE: Monday May 13th, 2002
TIME: Any person who wishes to address Council should contact the Planning Department for a delegation time.
LOCATION: Council Chambers, Municipal Office, Haliburton, Ontario

APPLICATIONS:

The Council of the Corporation of the United Townships of Dysart et al has by resolution declared the following parcels of land to be surplus. These parcels of land are parts of original shoreline road allowances, located in the Municipality of Dysart et al, in the County of Haliburton.

Applicant: Shall-May Holdings Limited

Location: Kennis Lake.

In front of Lot 4, Concession 3, Township of Havelock. Adjacent to Lot 12, Plan 584, Sunrise Court. Defined as parts 1, 2, 3 and 4 on a preliminary plan of survey prepared by Paul Wilson, OLS and dated February 22nd, 2002, available for review in the planning department.

Applicants: Bailey and Nicholls/Sobanski

Location: Haliburton lake.

In front of Lot 14, Concession 3, Township of Harburn. Adjacent to Lots 58 & 59, Plan 331, Dignan Drive. Defined as Parts 3, 4 and 5 on a preliminary plan of survey prepared by H. Curry Bishop, OLS and dated December 31st, 2001, available for review in the Planning Department.

Applicants: Bebee, Lewis, Knight, Newton

Location: Haliburton Lake.

In front of Lot 13, Concession 3, Township of Harburn. Adjacent to Lots 10, 15, 16, 17, 18 and 19, Plan 331, Dignan Court. Defined as parts 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8 on a preliminary plan of survey prepared by Harry Curry Bishop, OLS and dated February 14th, 2002, available for review in the Planning Department.

NOTICE IS GIVEN that the Council of the Corporation of the United Townships of Dysart et al proposes to consider and if deemed appropriate enact at its meeting as noted above, a by-law to close, stop-up and convey the portions of shoreline road allowance described above.

BEFORE PASSING the said by-law, the Council of the Corporation of the United Townships of Dysart et al shall at its meeting to be held as noted above, hear in person or by his counsel, solicitor or agent, any person who claims that his land will be affected by the said by-law.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION is available for review from the Planning Department at the Municipal Office during regular offices hours (9:00am. to 5:00pm. Monday to Friday).

DATED at the Township of Dysart, this 15th day of March, 2002.

Patricia E. Martin
M.C.I.P., R.P.P.
Township Planner



Corporation of the Township of Algonquin Highlands

PUBLIC NOTICE

Applicant: Mr. Geale Hewson
Lot 10 Concession 2, Sherborne Lake
Geographic Township of Sherborne

WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Algonquin Highlands has by resolution declared parts of an original shore road allowance lying in front of Lot 10 Concession 2 and part of Lot 10 Concession 2 dedicated as road allowance, Sherborne Lake, in the geographic Township of Sherborne, in the Township of Algonquin Highlands, County of Haliburton, to be surplus.

TAKE NOTICE that the Council of the Municipal Corporation of the Township of Algonquin Highlands proposes to enact a By-Law to stop-up, close and convey to the abutting property owner(s) those parts of the original shore road allowance lying in front of Lot 10 Concession 2, and that part of Lot 10 Concession 2 dedicated as road allowance, Sherborne Township described as follows:

FIRSTLY: All and Singular that certain parcel or tract of land and premises situate, lying and being in the Geographic Township of Sherborne in the County of Haliburton and being composed of Part of Lot 10 Concession 2 dedicated as road allowance and also parts of the original shore road allowance lying in front of Lot 10 Concession 2 more particularly described as Parts 2, 4 & 5 respectively on a Plan deposited in the Registry Office for the Registry Division of Haliburton County as Plan 19R-7249.

The proposed By-Law will come before the said Council for consideration at its regular meeting at the Algonquin Highlands Municipal Office, North Shore Road, on the 16th day of May, 2002 at the hour of 11:00 a.m., and at that time, the Council will hear in person or by his/her counsel, solicitor or agent any person who claims that his land will be prejudicially affected and who applies to be heard.

Dated: April 11, 2002

Gerald C. Bain, C.A.O.
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community calendar

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• **Wednesdays:** Activity morning at C.H.A.C.E. Resource Centre, Minden. Themes for the month of April will be birds, nursery rhymes, fitness and mud puddles. We are also open Fridays once again from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

• **Apr. 30: Healing & Drumming Circle** - Linda Reade of the YWCA in Haliburton, invites women of all ages to an Introductory evening. Learn Native Songs and their meaning, teaching about the drum. Those interested will have the opportunity to sign up for weekly circles. April 30, 7:30 - 9:00 p.m. Free. Please call Linda at 457-1942 for more information.

• **May 1: The Laryngectomy and Family Support Group** welcomes laryngectomees and their families to its monthly meeting on Wed., May 1, from 2:00 - 3:30 p.m. at the Canadian Cancer Society at 727 Lansdowne St. W. in Peterborough, ON. Meetings are held on the first Wednesday of each month. CCS phone number is (705) 742-3823.

• **May 1: Family Law Information Session** - Are you separated or divorced, or involved in the court system to resolve custody/access, child support, property/financial issues? If so, please join us on May 1, 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. at the Family Services of Haliburton County Building, Eastern Ave., Haliburton, for an evening of information and discussion on the impact of separation and divorce on families, and on the new Unified Family Court System. No fee charged. For inquiries, please call Carolyn McAlpine at (705) 324-1400 ext. 413. Everyone welcome!

• **May 2: Haliburton Soccer Club Registration.** Kids age 5 - 15 (by Dec. 31). Thursday, May 2nd, Haliburton Highlands Secondary School, Main Entrance Lobby, 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. (spaces are limited). Interested in Coaching? Call Sharon Dibblee 457-5013.

• **May 2: L.I.F.T. Ladies in Fellowship Together** at West Guilford Recreation Centre, Thurs., May 2, 7:30 - 9:30 p.m. Mother ... Daughter ... Friends Evening. Joyful Jenerations. Fashion show by LJ's Fashions and Mamas n' Tots. Special Speaker: Marion Loney, Peterborough. For info call: Alice 754-2808, Lyn 457-3155.

• **May 4: Marriage Enrichment Seminar.** Facilitated by Dr. Bill and Marilyn McRae. Lakeside Baptist Church, Saturday, May 4, 8:30 - 4:00. Cost includes lunch and manual. Please call Sue Grieves at 457-2851 for more info. or to register.

• **May 6: Alzheimer Society Support Groups.** We are holding informal support meetings. You are welcome to attend. Bring your concerns. We will bring the refreshments. You are not alone. Haliburton, Mon. May 6, 10:00 - 11:30 a.m. Alzheimer Office at 4 York St. If you have any questions or want more information, please call Janet Bottum at the Alzheimer Office in Haliburton at 457-8335.

• **May 6 & 7: Mother's Day Craft** - Join us and make mom a garden plaque at C.H.A.C.E. Resource Centre's garden. Small material fee. Call Julie or Angela to sign up. 286-1770

• **May 7: Let's go 2002 - Beginners jogging clinics.** An easy introduction to jogging for fitness. Norm Bottum will lead 8 weekly sessions that will include a graduated walk - jog program, stretching, and a discussion of jogging fundamentals. Sessions will be Tuesdays at 5 p.m. starting at the Haliburton Medical Centre parking lot beginning May 7th. Please register at the Medical Centre on or before the first session. Cost: your sweat and time.

• **May 8: 11:00 a.m. Activity morning at C.H.A.C.E. Resource Centre Minden.** Our theme is "Community Helpers" and members of the Fire Department and their Fire Truck will be visiting.

• **May 8: 10:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. FREE workshop** on feeding those picky eaters. For parents and childcare providers. Come and learn how to deal with meal time battles and picky eating for children 2 to 6. Free lunch and childcare provided. St. George's Church. Call Melanie to sign or for more information 457-1391. Sponsored by Family Services of Haliburton County.

• **May 8: The Alzheimer Society of Peterborough & Area,** Haliburton Office Open House! Wed., May 8, 12:30 - 2:30 p.m. Haliburton Family Medical Centre, 4 York St., Haliburton. Come and meet the staff and see the office. Call Janet at 457-8335 if you have any questions.

• **May 9: 7:30 p.m. Royal Canadian Legion, Haliburton Branch 129.** General Meeting: Nominations and Elections. Please remember to bring your Membership Card.

• **May 13: Alzheimer Society Support Groups.** We are holding informal support meetings. You are welcome to attend. Bring your concerns. We will bring the refreshments. You are not alone. Haliburton, Mon. May 13, 1:00 - 2:30 p.m. Extendicare Activity Room, Park St. If you have any questions or want more information, please call Janet Bottum at the Alzheimer Office in Haliburton at 457-8335.

Events listings are provided **FREE** for non-profit groups on a space-available basis. While we endeavour to accommodate requests for publication, we cannot guarantee that all requests for listings will appear. Requests should be faxed to The Echo at 457-3275, emailed to editorial@haliburtonecho.on.ca., or brought in to the office. **Please submit events by the Thursday prior to the requested publication date.**
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May Calendar

Thu., May 2	Holy Day Celebration (12th day of Ridvan)	
Mon., May 6	Study Circle	Noon
Tues., May 7	Vision TV - The Baha'is	10:00 p.m.
Mon., May 13	Study Circle	Noon
Thu., May 16	Meeting of Baha'i Council	7:00 p.m.
Fri., May 17	Feast of Grandeur	7:00 p.m.
Wed., May 22	Holy Day Celebration (Declaration of the Bab)	8:00 p.m.
Sun., May 26	Prayer Circle - Minden ("If we ever needed prayer...")	2:00 p.m.
Tue., May 28	Holy Day Celebration (Passing of Baha'u'llah)	
	Vision TV - The Baha'is	10:00 p.m.

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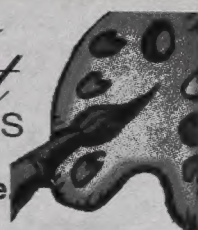
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Friday, May 17th
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12:00 Noon
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Kids age 5 - 15 (by Dec. 31)
Thursday, May 2nd
Haliburton Highlands Secondary School
Main Entrance Lobby
6:30 - 7:30 p.m.
(spaces are limited)
\$20./child payable at registration
Mail-in registration - pick up forms at Municipal Office.
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Game Night:
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SURPRISE!!!

30th Wedding Anniversary for **KARLENE and LAVERN COONEY**
Sat., May 4, 2002 - 7:00 p.m.
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Sean and Charlene thank God for the safe arrival of their baby

RENAE ADELLE

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400 NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE TO CREDITORS AND OTHERS IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF WALTER NEVILLE WEBB, deceased.

All creditors and others having claims against the Estate of **WALTER NEVILLE WEBB**, late of the township of Dysart, in the County of Haliburton, who died on or about the 6th day of October, 1996, are required to file the particulars of such claims with the undersigned solicitors for the said Estate on or before the 31st day of May, 2002.

AND take notice that after the last day named, the assets of the said Estate, will be distributed among the persons hereto entitled having regard only to the claims of which the Executors for the Estate being Florence Margaret Webb and Viola Jean Iles, shall have notice.

DATED at Haliburton, Ontario this 23rd day of April, 2002 by **BISHOP AND ROGERS**, Barristers and Solicitors, P.O. Box 472, Haliburton, Ontario, K0M 1S0. Solicitors for the Executors of the Estate of Walter Neville Webb.

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440 THANK YOU

I WOULD LIKE TO EXPRESS my sincere thanks and appreciation for the wonderful care I received while admitted unexpectedly last week to our Haliburton Hospital. I was treated with love and kindness by all the hospital staff. Special thanks to Drs. Hartwick and Dr. Ferracuti and the nursing staff. Thanks to my dear neighbour, Bill Picard who drove me to the hospital and Nancy who took good care of my dog, Cody. Thanks for the visits from family and church friends, for the cards, flowers and phone calls. Special thanks to Rev. Christopher Greaves and daughter Clarissa for their visit and prayers. Thank God for our lovely hospital and His dedicated staff. What a great community we live in. **Shirley Gallagher.**

The Haliburton Highlands Trail and Tours Network would like to thank all those who participated in our latest Website Workshop, Who Needs the Web - Getting Started and Found on the Internet, on Wednesday, April 24th. Many thanks to our terrific workshop facilitators **Mark Coles** of First Page SEO, **Kevin Taylor** of Upnorth Webs, and **Denise Eckert** of Sell With Pictures. We also wish to extend a very special thank you to Andrea and her staff at **Bonnie View Inn** for hosting this event and serving a wonderful dinner. Watch for more of these fun and informative workshops in the future!

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The Haliburton Highlands Trails and Tours Network would like to thank all those who supported our Fundraising Auction on Saturday, April 20th in Minden. Huge Thanks to Auctioneer, Norm Mills, for a tremendous job in auctioning off all of our items. The Royal Canadian Legion and the wonderful Ladies Auxiliary, and our volunteers, Chris Miles, Bill and Autumn Robinson, Sharon Crocket, Sharon Briscoe, Nancy Cotton, John Etches, and Karen Hoover for all their help - we had a very Successful day!

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I often speak his name And all I have now is memories. And his picture in a frame. My heart still aches in sadness, My silent tears still flow, For what it meant to lose him No one will ever know. Sadly missed by wife **Burdetta.**

460 OBITUARIES



HOLLAND, ELAINE (Resident of Essonville, Ontario) - At Grey Nun's Hospital in Edmonton, Alberta on Saturday morning, April 27, 2002 in her 78th year. Elaine went to sleep and awoke in the presence of God. Beloved wife of the late George Holland. Loving mother of Ruby Way (Paul), Edward (Darlene), Irvin (Henrietta), Hazel Reid (Bradley), Dale (Connie), Julia Puranen (Dennis), Richard (Diane), Marilyn Kaz (Barry), Debora Connolly (Wayne) and Barry (Debra). Fondly remembered by twenty eight grandchildren and fourteen great grandchildren. Dear sister of Jim, Rose, Chester, Charles, Carson, Caroline, Virginia and Myrtle. Predeceased by her parents Alton & Pearl Bamford, her sister Eunice and brother Ormand. Also lovingly remembered by many nieces and nephews. Friends are invited to call at the **HALIBURTON COMMUNITY FUNERAL HOME**, Hwy. #118, Haliburton, Ontario (705) 457-9209 on Thursday evening, May 2, 2002 from 7-9 p.m. Funeral Service in the Chapel on Friday morning, May 3, 2002 at 11 o'clock. Interment Essonville Cemetery, Essonville. As expressions of sympathy donations Samaritans Purse or World Vision would be appreciated by the family.

IN LOVING MEMORY OF RUSSELL ALBERT CURRY 75 Yrs.

Who passed away Tuesday evening April 23, 2002 at SRH Laurention Site.
Beloved husband of Faye Curry (Severin) of Markstay. Dear son of Albert and Greta (Johnston) Curry both predeceased. Loving brother of George (wife Terry) of Sudbury, Jack (wife Jo-vette) of Sudbury, Don (wife Betty) of Haliburton, Lloyd (wife Louise) of Haliburton, Gwen Cox (Joe) of Minden, Milly (husband Ernie Peters) of Search Mount, Ruth (husband Les Schell) of Haliburton, and Wayne predeceased. Special brother-in-law of Jim Severin (wife Anne predeceased) of Sudbury. Sadly missed by many nieces, nephews and dear friends. At Russell's request there will be no visitation or service. Cremation at Parklawn Crematorium. Interment in Civic Cemetery at a later date. Donations to Charity of choice would be appreciated by the family. (Arrangements entrusted to the Loughheed Funeral Home, 252 Regent St., Sudbury).

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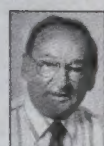
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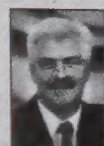
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Cozy 2 bdrm cottage, open concept, living room fireplace, lake front deck & dock 697' of shoreline 2.78 ac, very private asking \$129,000. Call Ted Vasey



BURCH DRIVE

Private, rural setting, outside Minden. Bright, spacious 3 bdrm, 3 bth, office, fully furn w/o basement, lrg deck & workshop, 1 acre lot. Mint condition Asking \$148,000. Call Bill Kulas



EAGLE LAKE

Attractive 4 bdrm riverfront home. Full fin. bsmt w/brick l/p in rec room, 2 baths, glassed in sunporch, hot tub, garage, lovely grounds. Close to ski hill & golf. \$149,000 Linda Baumgartner & Troy Austen



OPEN CONCEPT

4 bdrm, a/c cottage/home w full bsmt, 2 fp, jacuzzi, skylites, oak kit, dbl garage w workshop on quiet lake. Close to village, very private. Great retirement. \$159,900. Call Julie Gray



WELL MAINTAINED COTTAGE

Recent renovations 200 amp electrical panel, burber carpet, 16x17 cedar sun-room. Ebbs wood stove, NW exposure sunsets. \$180,000 Cathy Lancia



HALIBURTON PINE STREET

Stone and vinyl home in town. 1,650 sq. ft. with full finished bsmt. 3 bdrms, 2 baths up & separate apt to rent or granny flat. \$209,000. Call Linda Beachli.



PINE LAKE

Attractive waterfront home w cathedral ceiling, skylites, stone fp, pine accents, 7 acres, easy access close to Village, perfect yr rd cottage. \$229,000. Julie Gray



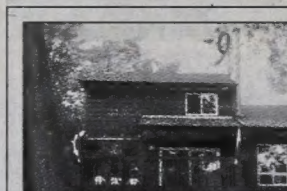
GULL RIVER

Impeccable executive home with 3 flrs living space, formal dining rm, w/o living & rec rm, eat in kitchen, master ensuite, jacuzzi bath, and much more \$234,900. Call Melanie Vigrass



LITTLE KENNISIS LAKE

Fabulous level lot with expansive private view. 3 bdrm cottage with studio over garage, workshop, new oil furnace & pump jacuzzi tub. \$273,300. Call Cathy Lancia



MOUNTAIN LAKE

Modern, custom built 1800 square foot waterfront home/cottage. Open concept, hardwood floors, designer kitchen, fireplace, 3 bedrooms, 3 baths, large deck, full walkout basement, 2 car att garage. Level lot, sand beach, a must see! Asking \$289,500. Call Bill Kulas today!



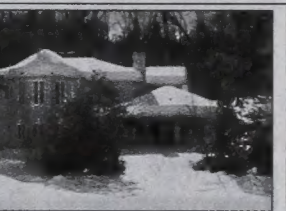
KASHAGAWIGAMOG

Best on the lakefront, year round home, 3500 sq ft. ideal for B&B or executive home, nothing but the best \$519,000. Call Linda Beachli



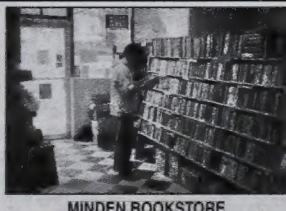
EXECUTIVE HOME

Across from Sir Sam's Ski hill, four bedrooms, custom built, many, many features. Call listing realtor for more details! \$1,100,000. Vince Duchene



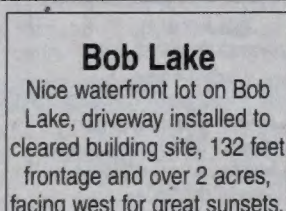
BE YOUR OWN BOSS

Fine commercial building with retail and warehouse areas. Many up grades ample parking good exposure Haliburton's Industrial Pk. \$99,000. Rosalind Bagg



MINDEN BOOKSTORE

Thriving business on Main St. good repeat clientele, good books, excellent location, call now for all the details. New Price. \$29,900 Rick Lowes



Bob Lake

Nice waterfront lot on Bob Lake, driveway installed to cleared building site, 132 feet frontage and over 2 acres, facing west for great sunsets, easy to build on.

\$62,000

Erwin Rothmeier

VACANT LAND

OPPORTUNITY KNOCKS

LOVELY REDSTONE LAKE

19 Acres+ with 600 ft, west exposure
Private Road, Hydro Available
A Rare Property
Asking **\$220,000**
Call Norm Harrison

WREN LAKE

Over 500 feet of pristine shoreline on a beautiful clean lake that has great fishing, swimming & boating.
Listed at **\$89,900**
Call Fred Gardner

Ski, Play, Dream Eagle Lake Has It All

You can have it all to!
Three to choose from...
You decide which one or all three
\$34,900
Rosalind Bagg

Acreage

\$13,500 - 33 ac south exp close to Haliburton & Minden
\$15,900 - 19 ac parcel w/dug well, close to lake
\$25,000 - 25 acres Irondale River mixed forest/field
\$30,000 - 38 acres on Irondale River
\$29,900 - 12 ac mature bush overlooking Poratage Lk
Linda Baumgartner

Gull Lake

Beautiful Well Treed
4.9 Acre lot with 100 ft of waterfront, year round road, nice beach, sloping lot, excellent location for a year round home
\$99,000
Erwin Rothmeier



SCENIC & PRISTINE

Riverfront lot on the Drag River, level and private with many good building sites. \$17,900. Call Rick Lowes

VACANT LAND

\$17,900 Barry Court Good, level lots in area of newer homes & close to beach.
\$26,900 Cty Rd. #7. Well treed 2.58 acre lot w/drilled well, driveway & concrete block foundation.
\$56,900 North Street Residential area in Haliburton ready for development. Nine lots. 8.55 acres
\$84,900 county Road #6 Large 104.45 acre w 34'x60' barn, bush & pond. Call Ken Barry